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As we go to press, Prime Minister Hon. John Briceño has returned to the country following a successful meeting with CARICOM heads of Government in Jamaica. From obscurity in 2020, the PUP government has elevated Belize's presence on the regional and international stage. Whether advocating for climate justice, forging stronger regional partnerships, or defending Belize's territorial integrity, the Briceño administration has shown that Belize can lead with integrity and purpose. The PUP's proactive diplomacy has attracted sustainable investment, increased cooperation and trade relationships, and positioned Belize as a respected voice in global affairs.

The Briceño administration has distinguished itself as a government that keeps working through every challenge that faces the country. Brought into office in 2020 on a bold Plan Belize, the government has remained focused and driven on delivering on its commitments – land, housing, education, health, employment, poverty alleviation and economic transformation.

The statistics are there in black and white – economic growth that has exceeded every expectation and has been lauded regionally, debt to GDP ratio that is at a historic

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low, unemployment at a never before seen 1.8% and a poverty rate cut in half, from 52% to 26%. But above and beyond the statistics, the work of this government is being felt on the ground, every single day.

In the past two weeks, at least fifty Belizean families have been given keys to their new homes all across the country. They join hundreds of others who have benefitted from a housing program which started one year after the PUP entered office. Deserving Belizeans receive a new lease on life, a stable, secure shelter that they can call their own. This project has become one of the great successes of this administration and includes two housing communities in Belmopan and the rural Belize District. Thousands of Belizeans have also been able to access land for the first time, across the country, thanks to government's determination to put land in the hands of our people. A focus has been on young people, first time landowners and public officers, including teachers, nurses and police officers.

Recently announced was the addition of Sacred Heart High School and Independence High School to the list of secondary schools enjoying free education. Thousands of students are able to docus on their education, with free tuition and fees, a free meal daily, free textbooks and devices, free transportation and even free uniforms. This is another of Government's massive successes, paired with its healthy start feeding program which currently serves 56 primary schools and 22 secondary schools.

In addition to its housing push, the focus on meaningful infrastructure has been unprecedented. Aside from major projects like the Haulover Bridge, the Joe Taylor Bridge and major paving upgrades on our major networks and communities, GOB through the Ministry of Infrastructure Development and Housing has been able to upgrade streets and roads in every community in this country. Even in times of natural disasters, the response time has been unprecedented. Within days of Hurricane Lisa striking the country in 2022, massive recovery efforts had ensured that Belize and Belizeans were largely back to normal.

The focus on rural communities has also been unprecedented and is likely a significant factor in the People's United Party government securing a huge win in village council elections held recently. Since coming into offices, many communities have benefitted from water systems and electrification, not only installation but upgrading to meet the demands of growing populations.

And there is much more that has been done, including the rollout of National Health Insurance across the country, support for MSMEs and training programs across the country targeting women in rural and urban communities, providing them with skills through which they can support their families.

Today, there are unprecedented challenges facing the country, including climate change, global uncertainty and the threat of war. There are also significant local hurdles, including the recent agitation by the unions and the unceasing crime situation largely fuelled by gang activity. Despite it all, and through it all, the Briceño administration has never faltered in delivering on its commitments to the Belizean people. And election after election – national, municipal and village council – the people have shown their love and appreciation for the government that continues to work.

MoI and Taiwan Technical Mission

PlanBelize 2.0 Women Empowerment in Punta Gorda Town

3rd Cohort Completes Cell Phone Repair Training

July 7, 2025 - The Office of the Prime Minister and Ministry of Investment, through its Investment Policy and Compliance Unit (IPCU), partnered with the Taiwan Technical Mission, Punta Gorda Town Council, and the National Women's Commission to expand the "Cell Phone Repair Training for Women in Belize" in the Toledo district.

The course was conducted from June 30 to July 5 at the Toledo Community College, with 50 hours of intense training for the 15 female participants from Punta Gorda Town, Mafredi Village, San Benito Poite, San Felipe, and Conejo Creek. The objective of the training was to create self-employment opportunities for women while addressing the growing demand for cell phone repair technicians.

Throughout the training, participants gained practical skills in repairing common issues in iOS and Android devices, including screen and charging port replacements. Over 80 devices were repaired during the training, and one participant quickly adopted key techniques to repair mobile device motherboards. To comple-

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TRIFECTA 2.0

The PUP Wins a 2nd Set of 3 Elections

The Success of PlanBelize Defeats the Dysfunctional Opposition

In fast pitch softball regularly played at the Rogers Stadium in Belize City and other facilities throughout the country, every softball enthusiast knows that with three strikes you're OUT, or is it OWT?

The 2020 General Elections followed by the 2021 Municipal Elections and the 2022 Village Council elections was trifecta number one. There is just no quit in the UDP who continues to strike out in sophisticated ways. Here comes Trifecta 2.0. In March 2024 Municipal Elections, the PUP was able to garner 88.89% of the councils with the UDP only winning 1 town council or 11.11%. There were sixty-seven (67) seats available. The PUP won 61 or 91.04% with the UDP winning a hapless 6 seats or 8.96%. This in essence was the strike one of the latest trifectas. In the March 2025 General Elections, the PUP garnered some 48,300 votes more than UDP 1 and 2 combined. The PUP secured 26 of the 31 constituencies or 83.87% of the seats compared to the UDP's 5 or 16.13%. Strike 2.

Then came the 2025 Village Council elections. Of the 190 villages, the PUP won a whopping 158 or 83.16% compared to the UDP's winning only 17 villages or 8.95%. Of the 1,330 seats available, the PUP garnered 1,104 or 83.01% compared to the UDP's 128 or 9.62%. Strike THREE.

As the Village council elections become victory parades and dance and swearing-ins without missing a beat the work resumes. For a few villages that were still haunted by UDP chairs and councils, they will begin the work of planBelize 2.0 at the village level. Belizeans all work but everything that the UDP touches always finds a way to become dysfunctional. Their main problem is that bitterness does not allow for leadership to flourish. Most of the UDP is historically bitter PUP's that didn't get their way and thus decided to go rogue forever. Revenge is a bad fuel it does not lead to progress… case in point, the ex masse party in Belize once called the united democratic party. History will document that the UDP was given a chance to lead the nations and they squandered it so obscenely and even illegally. We will all remember the UDP Prime Minister Barrow leading the spending of 1.3 billion unconstitutionally as read by the Chief Justice in 2020.

But 2025, is a time to move forward. The villages await a lot as their vote is not in vain.

VILLAGE COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS CUMULATIVE WEEKS 1 - 6			
DISTRICT	PUP	UDP	INDEPENDENT/ 3rd PARTY
COROZAL	16	11	0
ORANGE WALK	20	2	2
BELIZE	28	0	6
CAYO	31	2	1
STANN CREEK	20	0	3
TOLEDO	42	2	3
TOTAL NUMBER OF COUNCILS WON	158	17	15
TOTAL NUMBER OF CANDIDATES WON	1,104	128	98
PERCENTAGE OF SEATS WON	83.01%	9.62%	7.37%

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EDITORIAL

OUR OWN WORST ENEMY

Not so very long ago, a mother appeared on the news after her son was arrested and charged for rape. Almost proudly, it seemed, she proclaimed that if he had been accused of murder, she would have believed it, but definitely not rape.

Days ago, a mother and her disabled son were murdered in the yard of their home, allegedly because her other son, a gang member residing in the US, said some things on FB and a rival gang responded by murdering his family members. The outrage was instant and loud, but is it real? This isn't the first atrocity we have witnessed, not even close. There have been many victims of gang warfare in Belize, many of them innocent civilians, collateral damage. Far too many of those victims have been children. Far too many.

Social media is full of cries for the Police to do something, for the government to do something. This cannot continue, they say. Oh, how we grieve for the innocent Ms. Evadnie and poor Lukie who had no fault. Oh, we must find the monsters who gunned down the innocent. We must root them out. We need to act now. This is too much. We are prisoners in our homes. None of us is safe. God help us. And on and on and on. It's nothing new. We've all seen it before, way too many times.

You know what we've also seen far too many times? Those same people crying, screaming, weeping for something to be done, defending the same persons who commit these atrocities. Every gang member ever accused of a crime in Belize has family that will swear that Junie would never hurt a fly. How often have we seen entire neighbourhoods swarm Police who are trying to detain somebody believed to have committed a crime? How often have we seen videos of family members screaming invectives at Police who are trying to detain persons?

Belize is a tiny nation, with a gang culture that has been allowed to become invasive and pervasive. The Police know who the players are, from top to bottom. We have seen them arrested and we have seen them released. We all know their names, and indeed, it seems that they act almost with impunity. Their weapons are held for them by girlfriends and grandmothers. Their network of neighbourhood support allows them to act with extreme violence and vanish. And nobody will talk, because the reprisals are very real, and very final. No matter how many Police patrols or checkpoints there are, that will never change.

But with that said, the cry has gone out once again. These acts of violence in our very small country cannot be allowed to continue. It is ridiculous for law-abiding citizens to be fearful of gang members/organized crime figures who are getting bolder and more violent. We all agree, right? Okay, so the government and the Belize Police Department have answered the cry with the 13th Amendment Bill, which will target those who are the biggest threat to the security of our citizenry and indeed the peace and stability of our country.

It's not complicated. But it's bold. In short, whenever there is a real threat to public safety, the amendment would allow the government to name 'special areas' for a specific time, in which Police would be able to conduct intensive operations targeting gang members and members of organized crime, including searches, seizures and detentions. The amendments would also see the formation of a new Court to expedite matters involving gangs and guns. Pretty much that's it.

But of course, already you hear the cries of how the government will use the amendments for political oppression, which is total nonsense. Already we hear the cries about how government will abuse the rights of the persons in those 'special areas.' Tracy Panton's UDP, even before the 13th Amendment Bill has had its first public consultation, already opposes it, for no good reason at all. The Association of Defense Attorneys already opposes it, which is no surprise, considering their client base. And already, the human rights 'activists' are weighing in. How quickly we have forgotten the rights of poor Ms. Evadnie and Lukie, it appears. Now we have to jump up to defend the rights of those who will inevitably fall into the net of the 13th Amendment Bill, ironically the same persons who have made our country unsafe with their actions.

We are a very special people in Belize. The same people who cry out for the Prime Minister to do for Belize what Bukele has done for El Salvador, are the people who will condemn any decisive action taken to end gang violence in Belize, once and for all. Maybe the gangs who commit the atrocities aren't our worst enemies. Maybe we are our worst enemies.

en Español

NUESTRO PROPIO PEOR ENEMIGO

No hace mucho tiempo, una madre apareció en las noticias después de que su hijo fuera arrestado y acusado de violación. Casi con orgullo, según parecía, proclamó que, si lo hubieran acusado de asesinato, lo habría creído, pero definitivamente no de violación.

Hace unos días, una madre y su hijo discapacitado fueron asesinados en el patio de su casa, supuestamente porque su otro hijo, miembro de una banda que reside en Estados Unidos, dijo algunas cosas en Facebook y una banda rival respondió asesinando a los miembros de su familia. La indignación fue inmediata y sonora, pero ¿es real? Esta no es la primera atrocidad que hemos presenciado, ni mucho menos. Ha habido muchas víctimas de la guerra entre bandas en Belice, muchas de ellas civiles inocentes, daños colaterales. Demasiadas de esas víctimas han sido niños. Demasiadas.

Las redes sociales están llenas de gritos para que la policía haga algo, para que el gobierno haga algo. Esto no puede continuar, dicen. Oh, cómo lloramos por la inocente Sra. Evadnie y el pobre Lukie, que no tenían culpa alguna. Oh, debemos encontrar a los monstruos que dispararon a los inocentes. Debemos erradicarlos. Tenemos que actuar ahora. Esto es demasiado. Somos prisioneros en nuestras casas. Ninguno de nosotros está a salvo. Que Dios nos ayude. Y así sucesivamente. No es nada nuevo. Todos lo hemos visto antes, demasiadas veces.

¿Sabéis qué más hemos visto demasiadas veces? A esas mismas personas llorando, gritando, suplicando que se haga algo, defendiendo a las mismas personas que cometen estas atrocidades. Todos los miembros de bandas acusados de un delito en Belice tienen familiares que jurarán que Junie nunca haría daño ni a una mosca. ¿Cuántas veces hemos visto barrios enteros abalanzarse sobre la policía que intenta detener a alguien sospechoso de haber cometido un delito? ¿Cuántas veces hemos visto vídeos de familiares gritando insultos a la policía que intenta detener a alguien?

Belice es una nación pequeña, con una cultura de bandas que se ha permitido que se vuelva invasiva y omnipresente. La policía sabe quiénes son los implicados, de arriba abajo. Los hemos visto arrestados y los hemos visto liberados. Todos sabemos sus nombres y, de hecho, parece que actúan casi con impunidad. Sus armas las guardan sus novias y abuelas. Su red de apoyo en el barrio les permite actuar con extrema violencia y desaparecer. Y nadie habla, porque las represalias son muy reales y muy definitivas. Por muchas patrullas policiales o controles que haya, eso nunca cambiará.

Pero dicho esto, el grito se ha vuelto a escuchar. No se puede permitir que estos actos de violencia continúen en nuestro pequeño país. Es ridículo que los ciudadanos respetuosos con la ley tengan miedo de los miembros de las bandas y las figuras del crimen organizado que cada vez son más atrevidos y violentos. Todos estamos de acuerdo, ¿verdad? Bien, pues el Gobierno y el Departamento de Policía de Belice han respondido al clamor con el proyecto de ley de la 13.ª enmienda, la cual se centrará en aquellos que suponen la mayor amenaza para la seguridad de nuestros ciudadanos y, de hecho, para la paz y la estabilidad de nuestro país.

No es complicado. Pero es audaz. En resumen, siempre que exista una amenaza real para la seguridad pública, la enmienda permitiría al Gobierno designar «zonas especiales» durante un tiempo determinado, en las que la policía podría llevar a cabo operaciones intensivas contra los miembros de las bandas y del crimen organizado, incluyendo registros, incautaciones y detenciones. Las enmiendas también contemplan la creación de un nuevo tribunal para agilizar los asuntos relacionados con las bandas y las armas. Eso es básicamente todo.

Pero, por supuesto, ya se oyen las protestas sobre cómo el Gobierno utilizará las enmiendas para la opresión política, lo cual es una tontería. Ya se oyen las protestas sobre cómo el Gobierno abusará de los derechos de las personas en esas «zonas especiales». El UDP de Tracy Panton, incluso antes de que el proyecto de ley de la 13.ª enmienda haya tenido su primera consulta pública, ya se opone a él, sin ninguna razón válida. La Asociación de Abogados Defensores ya se opone a ella, lo cual no es de extrañar, teniendo en cuenta su base de clientes. Y ya están interviniendo los «activistas» de derechos humanos. Parece que hemos olvidado rápidamente los derechos de la pobre Sra. Evadnie y Lukie. Ahora tenemos que saltar en defensa de los derechos de aquellos que inevitablemente caerán en la red del proyecto de ley de la 13.ª enmienda, irónicamente las mismas personas que han hecho que nuestro país sea inseguro con sus acciones.

Somos un pueblo muy especial en Belice. Las mismas personas que claman al primer ministro para que haga por Belice lo que Bukele ha hecho por El Salvador son las que condenarán cualquier medida decisiva que se tome para acabar con la violencia de las bandas en Belice de una vez por todas. Quizás las bandas que cometen las atrocidades no sean nuestros peores enemigos. Quizás nosotros seamos nuestros peores enemigos.

BEL Solar Power Purchase Signing Ceremony Remarks by Prime Minister John Briceño

July 10, 2025

This in some ways represents a bittersweet moment for me and my government - bitter in the sense that it took almost five years of my administration to get to a power purchase agreement, but sweet because we are here today to witness the **signing of a power purchase agreement** that will finally mean new local renewable energy generation for our country.

We all know where we find ourselves with energy demand and supply challenges. While our energy demand has increased with a growing economy, we have not been able to secure new local power generation for close to fifteen years. We now currently depend heavily on Mexico for almost half of our electricity supply. This represents a major vulnerability for our economy and for each of us. We all experienced first-hand last summer the adverse effects of this vulnerability when Mexico curtailed its electricity supply to Belize due to their own demand and supply challenges. Our entire country became subject to rolling blackouts. I had to go cap in hand to then President AMLO for favourable consideration on supply. This experience underscored the need for Belize to achieve energy security.

From the onset of this PUP administration in 2020, my government identified achievement of energy security as a priority strategic policy. We see energy security really as a matter of national security.

Many of you may be familiar with our efforts to this end. Noting the inordinate amount of time having lapsed in going through the RFP procurement process for private sector power generation and financing thereof, my government has taken it upon itself to secure concessionary financing for major energy projects with a view to energy security. The first such energy project is the $154 million 60 MW Saudi Development Fund utility scale solar power generation project. The second is the $120 million 40 MW World Bank funded battery energy storage project. We have also advocated for grant financing to the tune of $40 million through the MCC to support the reduction of the cost of electricity. Yet, in spite of all these efforts, these projects are all currently works-in-progress. They, also. in and of themselves, do not bring us to energy security.

Today's signing of a power purchase agreement for 15 MW of utility scale local solar power generation represents another key step in that path to energy security. We are most grateful for the confidence that a local investor like Mr. Michael Bowen has demonstrated in BEL, the government and this economy and their respective future by taking the risk to invest in our energy sector.

Belize is currently in the midst of an Article IV consultation by the IMF. This is where they review the performance of our economy, the government and our financial sector and consider their respective outlook for the future. The IMF acknowledges the major strides Belize has made in economic growth, fiscal consolidation and financial sector stability. But for us to continue to grow at the rates that we have grown over the past five years, we have to do more than just depend on organic growth in tourism, the BPO sector and agriculture. We have to engineer transformative growth.

One such strategic policy that even the IMF recognizes can enable transformative growth is the implementation of that vision to achieve energy security. My government sees the opportunity to go beyond that - to export energy, primarily renewable energy, to our neighbors, Mexico and Guatemala, maybe even further into the Central American region.

To get there though, we must continue to proceed deliberately and boldly. Rome wasn't built in a day, but it was built in a way that made its mark in history. This little Belize has its own mark to make, and make it we will.

As I look at all of you present here today, I see key strategic partners in both the public and private sector alike that share in that grand vision and purpose. It gives me great confidence that with a unified commitment to that grand vision and purpose, we can achieve that much desired transformation from PlanBelize to Grand Belize.

Solid Waste Management Authority
Ministry of Sustainable Development, Climate Change, Solid Waste Management

INVITATION TO BID

1. The Government of Belize (or GOB), acting through the Ministry of Sustainable Development, Climate Change and Solid Waste Management on behalf of the Belize Solid Waste Management Authority, now invites sealed Bids from eligible and qualified Bidders for the Services mentioned below in the table.

Name	Contract Period
Loading, Trucking, and Other Heavy Equipment Services for the Dangriga Solid Waste Transfer Station Facility	36 months

2. Procurement will be conducted through the Open Tendering Process in accordance with the public procurement laws of Belize.

3. This invitation is open to all eligible Bidders as outlined in the Bidding Documents.

4. Qualification requirements are detailed in Section II of the Bidding Documents. Prospective Bidders are advised to consult the Instructions to Bidders carefully.

5. A complete set of Bidding Documents in English may be obtained via email upon request to the email address below.

6. The Bidding Documents will be emailed to the Bidder at the address provided in the request.

7. A site visit will be held on **Thursday, July 17, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.,** beginning at the Dangriga Transfer Station, followed by the Mile 24 Regional Sanitary Landfill.

8. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **10:00 am on July 21, 2025.** Late submissions will be rejected. Electronic bid submissions will not be accepted. Bids will be publicly opened on **July 21, 2025** at 10:15 in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend in person.

9. All bids must be accompanied by a Bid-Securing Declaration as specified in the Instructions to Bidders.

10. The GOB reserves the right to declare any firm ineligible for contract award if found to have engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, or collusive practices.

11. Bidders are required to submit as part of the bid "the Statement of Ethical Conduct and Fraud and Corruption". In case of misleading information or non-adherence to the Fraud and Corruption provisions of the Bidding Documents, the Bidder shall be pursued by the GOB.

12. For further information or to request Bidding Documents, please contact:

Ministry of Sustainable Development, Climate Change,
and Solid Waste Management.
Procurement Officer
Address: 7552 Hummingbird Highway, Green Building Complex,
City of Belmopan, Belize, C.A.
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Carmelita Village	4	2046

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RIVA BATTAM

Stink dah Road

Old Grampa Dean might not have cojones, or at least that's the claim, but boy he makes up for it with a giant-sized ego. Now we see where Jamal gets it from, along with a heaping dose of delusion. Can you imagine that this man, hands down the worst prime minister this country has ever seen, has now emerged as the saviour of the United Democratic Party? Dean Oliver made sure that his family members and friends gorged on the public trough during the UDP's term in office. He presided over the most worthless bunch of Cabinet ministers during that term and then went on national television after the UDP was kicked out to admit that they were corrupt, as if he was a saint looking from on high and not in Cabinet with them. Dean Oliver's name stink dah road, and because of him, the UDP name stink dah road, and now he's back in charge calling the shots. Fuh God's sake stop it Dean. Stop it.

Chip off the Old Block

Let's make no mistake about it. The UDP is where it is because Dean Barrow was trying to make up for abandoning Jamal when he was a child. As PM at the time Jamal was deported, Dean O had to embrace him and act the caring father to save his own image, and that public atonement created the monster that is Shyne Barrow today. And now the two, father and son, are fully in control of what was once a viable mass party but is now just a sick joke. Dean's arrogance and greed for absolute power and control drove him to ravage the UDP and country over the course of thirteen years. And now, his son's arrogance and greed for absolute power and control have completely destroyed any remnants of the UDP that remained. This is the end for the UDP.

Soul Sister

In Tracy Panton's last post on Facebook, where she lives, she claimed that she was off somewhere replenishing her soul. Sources in the LOO's camp tell us that she was very frazzled and distraught after Uncle Mike wrote her and informed her that Dean Oliver was angry with her for refusing to come in line with what had been instructed in order to 'fix' the UDP. But while she booked a flight the next day to soothe her soul, Tracy needs to understand that the players she's dealing with are prepared to see the party totally dismantled rather than give her the power she craves. And she needs to keep her eyes open. Because word is that Dean Oliver has met with Hugo Patt and has also met with Godwin Haylock. Hugo has always been iffy, but if Tracy loses the support of Godwin Haylock, who is tied to the Barrows in ways he can never say, the game will be over for her faster than you can say 'carrots.'

Dream Team

These days, there's really not much to say about the unruly dysfunctional party. We'd say it's like kicking somebody when they're already down on the ground, but in this case, we don't even know who to kick, because we have no clue if the UDP has one leader, three, or none. So we decided to check in on our favourite scum-sucking attorney/alleged rapist. The man is preparing for his big trial with his own dream team (insert big belly laugh here) and they've revealed the defense they plan to mount. All you law students pay attention because this is precedent setting defense – I didn't have any contact with the woman, but if I did have contact with the woman, it was consensual. I mean, that's so amazingly brilliant. I'm surprised the judge didn't throw out the matter right there in case management. Now we also know why Tracy is always in a mess, with OJ as one of her legal advisors. God help us.

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REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT)

IDB

Communications Specialist

Institution: Ministry of Finance
Country: Belize
Project: Promoting Sustainable Growth in the Blue Economy Program
Process ID: BL-L1042 – P00018
Duration: Two (2) years
Duty Station: Belize Fisheries Department, Belize City
Deadline: **July 18, 2025; 2:00 p.m. (Local Belize Time) (EXTENSION)**

The Government of Belize (GOB) has received loan financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) for the execution of the Project "Promoting Sustainable Growth in the Blue Economy Program".

The Ministry of Finance, through its Central Executing Unit, intends to allocate a portion of the project's proceeds to engage contractual services of a **"Communication Specialist".**

The Ministry of Finance invites individuals to access the full version of this Request for Application and Terms of Reference (TOR) at PSGB – Communication Specialist – Individual Consultant – BL-1042-P00018 – MOF – 2025 - Procurement Portal or by scanning the QR code below, and to submit application packages in accordance with the instructions provided in the full version.

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FOR SALE
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE

The Development Finance Corporation of Bliss Parade, City of Belmopan, Cayo District hereby gives notice of its intention to exercise its power of sale as mortgagee under Deed of Mortgages or Charges between those hereinafter named and the said Corporation which mortgages or charges are recorded at the Land Titles Unit or the Lands Registry, respectively and that the said Development Finance Corporation will, at the expiration of two (2) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, sell the properties described in the Schedule hereto.

All offers to purchase the said properties must be made in writing to the said Corporation at its Headquarters Office or District Offices.

SCHEDULE

Parcel No. 1152, Block No. 20, Mount Pleasant Registration Section containing approximately 5 acre(s) situate along the Western Highway in the Mount Pleasant Area, Cayo District, Belize, held under a Land Certificate being the freehold interest of AJ'S GROUP INTERNATIONAL CO. LTD.

Parcel No. 13085, Block No. 7, San Pedro Registration Section containing 0.5 Acre (s) situate in San Pedro Town, Ambergris Caye, Belize District, held under a Land Certificate being the freehold interest of YAHYA MOHAMAD HARMOUCHE surety for ANA NOELLE ALAMILLA.

Parcel No. 2680, Block No. 7, San Pedro Registration Section containing 416.449 Square Yard (s) situate in the Escalante Sub-Division, San Pedro Town, Ambergris Caye, Belize, held under a Land Certificate being the freehold interest of ANA NOELLE ALAMILLA surety for ANA NOELLE ALAMILLA AND YAHYA MOHAMAD HARMOUCHE.

Parcel No. 7026, Block No. 16, Ladyville/Lord's Bank Registration Section containing approximately 541.966 Square Meter (s) in the subdivison known as Los Lagos situate in the Mile 13 Area, Phillip Goldson Highway, Ladyville, Belize District, Belize, held under a Land Certificate being the freehold interest of KEVIN KEMELE WADE.

Parcel No. 879, Block No. 1, San Jose/ San Pablo Registration Section containing approximately 655.2 Square Meter (s) situate in San Jose Village, Orange Walk District, Belize, held under a Land Certificate being the freehold interest of JUAN MARCOS TECK.

DATED THIS 10th DAY OF JULY 2025

MoI and Taiwan Technical Mission
PlanBelize 2.0 Women Empowerment in Punta Gorda Town

3rd Cohort Completes Cell Phone Repair Training

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ment the technical training, the Belize Training and Employment Centre (BTEC) facilitated a three-hour session on sales and professional etiquette.

At the end of the course, each trainee received a certification of completion and a starter kit containing essential repair tools, including antistatic mats, electric multimeters, soldering irons, magnifying lamps, and tool kits. This investment enables the women to begin offering repair services or launch businesses immediately.

This initiative supports the broader goal of diversifying export-led economic activity in the Toledo district by enhancing skills and entrepreneurship, especially in growth sectors such as the Orange Economy.

Present at the closing ceremony of the training were Hon. Oscar Requena, Minister of Education, Science, and Technology; Mr. Andrew Su, Chief of the Taiwan Technical Mission; Ms. Jahrine Avila, Councilor, Punta Gorda Town Council; Mr. Lincoln Blake, Director, Investment Policy and Compliance Unit; Ms. Olivia Sho, Commissioner, National Women's Commission; Ms. Indira Usher, Foreign Service Officer, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade, Culture, and Immigration; and Mr. Abisur Quintal, Cell phone repair instructor from Jarvis Fix.

Second Phase of Training Launch
Hosted at the Cayo Centre for Employment Training

The Ministry of Investment, through its Investment Policy and Compliance Unit (IPCU), in collaboration with the Taiwan Technical Mission, and the Ministry of Human Development, Family Support & Gender Affairs through the National Women's Commission, launched the second training for the project, "Cell Phone Repair Training for Women in Belize." This phase of the project is being hosted at the Cayo Centre for Employment Training.

Following the 2024 cohorts in the Corozal and Orange Walk Districts, there has been a growing demand for this training in other parts of the country where access to cell phone repair services remain limited, especially in rural areas. By enhancing skills and the entrepreneurial spirit of women, particularly in emerging sectors such as the Orange Economy, the Ministry of Investment seeks to open new pathways to self-employment and small business development in the Cayo District.

At the opening ceremony, Hon. Orlando Habet, Minister of Sustainable Development, Climate Change & Solid Waste Management, related that the growing use of electronic devices contributes to one of the world's fastest-growing waste streams - electronic waste. He continued that repairing cell phones causes a direct reduction in the volume of e-waste and aligns with the global sustainability goals in the promotion of a circular economy.

Present at the opening of the training were Hon. Orlando Habet, Minister, Ministry of Sustainable Development, Climate Change & Solid Waste Management; Mr. Lincoln Blake, Director, Investment Policy and Compliance Unit; Mr. Andrew Su, Chief of the Taiwan Technical Mission in Belize; Ms. Katie Jones, Commissioner, National Women's Commission; Ms. Indira Usher, Foreign Service Officer, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, Culture & Immigration; Mr. Abisur Quintal, Instructor, Jarvis Fix; and Mr. Edilto Romero, Manager, Cayo Centre for Employment Training. (release)

The planBelize 2.0 vision to expand on the Orange Economy and to continue with the empowerment of every sector of society especially women and children is highly present in this ongoing initiative.

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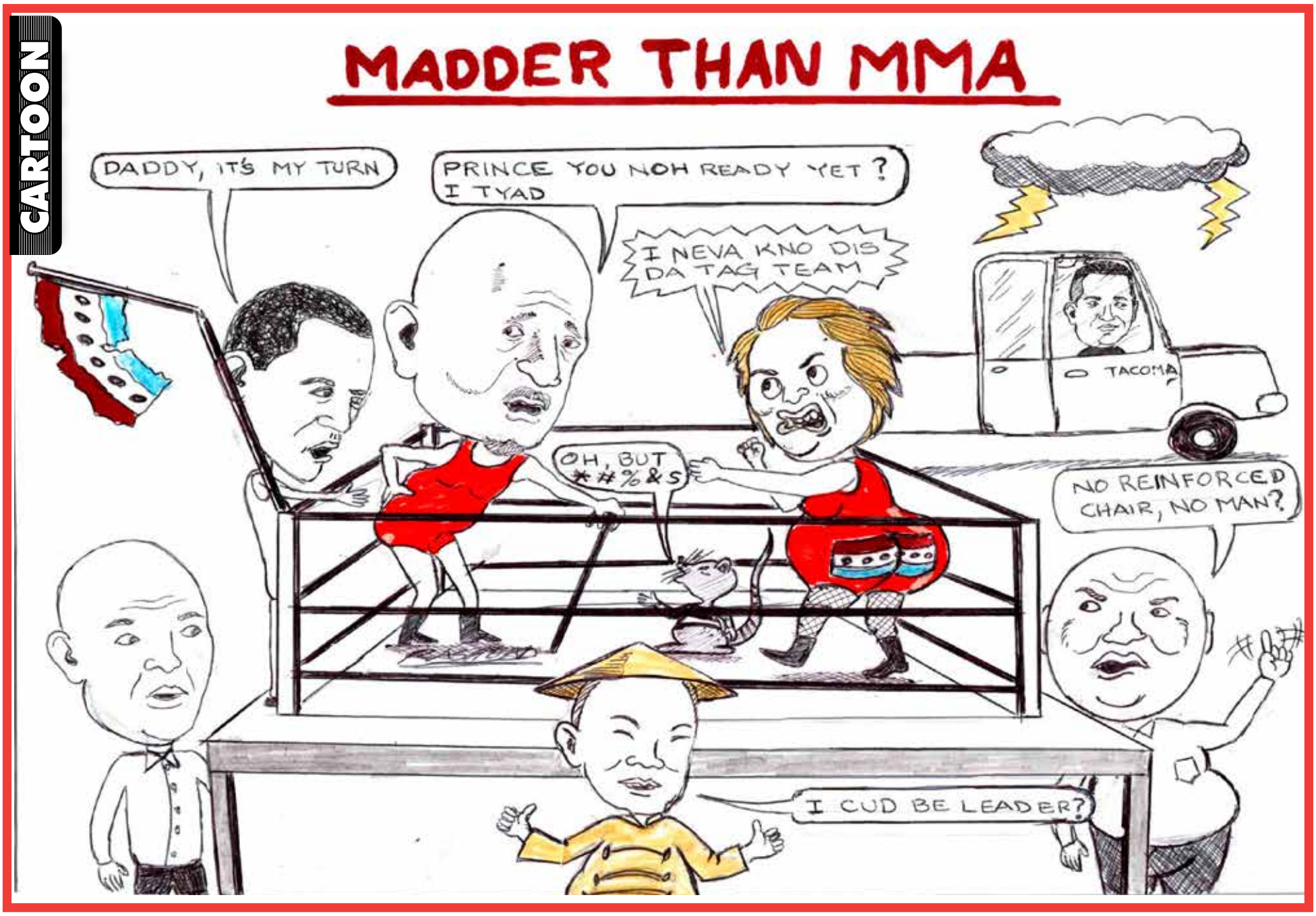

STATEMENT

Dialogue Between the Heads of Government And Heads Of Judiciary of CARICOM MONTEGO BAY, JAMAICA | 6 July 2025

Heads of Government and Heads of Judiciary of Member States of the Caribbean Community convened an important and historic Dialogue today at the Montego Bay Convention Centre in Montego Bay Jamaica.

The purpose of the Dialogue was to establish a space for discussion among leaders of the executive and judicial branches of government regarding the challenges they face in their respective roles in maintaining law, order, citizen security and good governance. The meeting proceeded with due regard for the constitutional imperatives of judicial independence, the separation of powers and due regard for the constitutional role of each other Branch of Government.

Concerned by the persistent crime and security challenges in CARICOM Member States, the leaders of the executive and judicial branches discussed measures and reforms necessary to effectively respond to the Community's security issues.

The convening of the Dialogue today was among the undertakings agreed in the George-Bridge Declaration (22 November 2024) which sets out the regional approach to crime and violence.

The Dialogue was facilitated by former Presidents of the Caribbean Court of Justice Sir Dennis Byron and Hon. Adrian Saunders and Mr. Godfrey Smith, CARICOM High Level Representative on Law and Criminal Justice.

Belize Advances Regional Integration

Montego Bay, Jamaica – July 8, 2025 — Belize emerged from the 49th Regular Meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government of CARICOM with renewed purpose and a clear commitment to regional integration, justice, and mobility. The high-level summit, held over three days in Montego Bay, concluded on July 8 with a series of key developments — several of which place Belize at the heart of the Caribbean's future progress.

Represented at the opening by Prime Minister Hon. John Briceño and later joined by Minister of Foreign Affairs & Foreign Trade, Hon. Francis Fonseca, Belize reaffirmed its steadfast dedication to CARICOM as a platform for regional unity, shared progress, and collaboration. "We stand resolute in our pursuit of deeper integration and a stronger, more resilient Caribbean," Prime Minister Briceño declared.

-Free Movement for CARICOM Nationals

Among the most impactful outcomes of the summit was the announcement that Belize, Barbados, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, and Dominica have committed to fully implementing the free movement of CARICOM nationals by October 1, 2025. This decision marks a bold step forward in the realization of the CARICOM Single Market and Economy (CSME).

CARICOM Chair and Jamaican Prime Minister Dr. Andrew Holness acknowledged that progress has been slow across the region but emphasized that these four countries have chosen to lead by example. "We agreed that the pace and scope of implementation were just too slow, and we agreed to do everything in our power to speed up implementation," Holness said.

For Belize, this move signals expanded opportunities for trade, employment, and regional collaboration. Belizean nationals will soon enjoy greater mobility, increased access to Caribbean labour markets, and enhanced participation in regional development. The decision also reaffirms Belize's support for the Protocol on Enhanced Cooperation, a critical pillar in CARICOM's regional integration framework.

-Honoring Regional Justice: New CCJ President

Another historic moment occurred with the appointment of the Honorable Mr. Justice Winston Anderson of Jamaica as the new President of the Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ). Prime Minister Briceño lauded the appointment, describing Anderson as "a jurist whose professional career highlights him as one who has always pushed the envelope."

At the swearing-in ceremony held July 6 in Montego Bay, Briceño highlighted Justice Anderson's deep connections to Belize, noting his in-service training in the country and his keynote address at the 2024 Criminal Justice Reform Conference held in Belize.

"This is a momentous time for our region, for our people, and for justice," the Prime Minister said. "We have every confidence that President Anderson will continue the tradition of excellence and further enhance the CCJ's impact."

Briceño also took time to pay tribute to outgoing CCJ President Justice Adrian Saunders, praising his transformative leadership since taking office in 2018 and noting his distinction as the court's longest-serving judge.

-Belize's Growing Regional Role

Belize's engagement at the CARICOM summit signals its active and growing role in shaping regional policy and development. Whether through its push for free movement, support for judicial leadership, or broader alignment with CARICOM's goals, Belize continues to be a leading voice for integration, resilience, and progress in the Caribbean.

As CARICOM looks toward its 50th anniversary in 2026, Belize's commitments at the 49th meeting reflect a country not only embracing regional unity but helping to drive it forward. From strengthening justice institutions to empowering Caribbean citizens through mobility, Belize is proving itself an essential partner in building a more connected, capable, and confident Caribbean future.

It is worth noting that the Second CARICOM-Africa Summit is scheduled to take place in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, on September 7, 2025.

PM Attends Ladyville Council Swearing In

Historic Swearing In of the Ladyville Village Council 2025-2028 !! PM Briceño and Sr. Minister Dolores with Chairman Bernardo Bennett and his six councilors - Ashanti Blair, Mirna Paul Grinage, Ashley Perez, Lucio Choc, Salinas Perez and Marvin Ottley.

BELIZEPROPERTYAUCTIONS.COM

COUNTRYWIDE PUBLIC AUCTION SALE: VEHICLE

Belize City, Belize District

BY ORDER of the Mortgagees, Licensed Auctioneers Kevin A. Castillo and Christiana R. Castillo are selling ONLINE via belizepropertyauctions.com the following vehicle. Sale currently running and will expire fortnightly on the dates and times listed on the website until the vehicle is sold.

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TELEPHONE 223-4488
Website: belizepropertyauctions.com
E-mail: kevinacas@yahoo.com
Facebook: Belize Auction

PUBLIC NOTICE

Damage to Property 9 July 2025

The Ministry of Infrastructure Development & Housing advises the public of an incident involving the intentional defacing of the Haulover Bridge by the removal and theft of a portion of the aluminum railing separating vehicular and pedestrian traffic. From our assessment, it is evident that the rail was physically cut and removed.

The Ministry is disappointed at such a selfish act of blatant vandalism. It must stop.

Approximately 4km of guardrails along the Coastal Plain Highway have been damaged, most likely due to reckless driving, within just one year of the highway's completion. Thankfully, no lives appear to have been lost, nor have any accidents or specific causes of the damage been ascertained. However, the Government and people of Belize now bear the BZ$1.3 million cost to repair.

We also take this opportunity to highlight the horrendous quantity of litter that is collected by the MIDH teams from the roadsides on a daily basis! How can fellow Belizeans continue with this nastiness?

The MIDH requests the public's assistance. If you witness suspicious activity or observe anyone tampering with any bridge structure or road safety infrastructure (such as guardrails, signs, or safety railings), please report it immediately.

Please take more pride in our national infrastructure; these assets are your assets.

To report an incident, contact the Ministry of Infrastructure Development & Housing at 828-5220.

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DID YOU KNOW?
Profits from BGLL are used to support charity organizations such as the National Health Insurance.
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Belize City Council News

Youth Diplomacy: Welcome to Youth Ambassadors

As a testament to our commitment to fostering meaningful youth dialogue in leadership and service, the Belize City Council, upon request from the Belize Youth Ambassadors Program, proudly welcomed eleven US Youth Ambassadors to City Hall for an engaging exchange centered on youth leadership, community-oriented service, and the shared goal of expanding holistic opportunities for young people across Belize.

These efforts were highlighted through key initiatives such as the Youth Shadow Council, Child Advisory Council, Youth Connect Student Hub Series, MENgage Initiative, and other programs that reflect the Council's mission to build empowered and engaged youth communities.

The Belize City Council extends gratitude to the Belize Youth Ambassadors Program for continuing this long-standing tradition of youth exposure and dialogue, and to the visiting US Youth Ambassadors for their enthusiasm and collaboration as they continue their experience in Belize.

The Belize City Council and Mayor Bernard Wagner remains firm in its belief that strong youth linkages in governance are essential to national, regional, and international growth and inclusive development. (post excerpts)

Chip and Seal on Zericote Street & more

Mayor Bernard Wagner and City Administrator Albert Vaughan are actively overseeing ongoing infrastructure upgrades in Belize City. Currently, the second phase of rehabilitation is in progress on Zericote Street, from Vernon Street to Mahogany Street. Zericote Street, like Santa Barbara Street, is classified as a secondary route primarily used by motorists seeking to avoid traffic on Central American Boulevard. The chip and seal method employed is deemed appropriate for this type of street, enhancing the quality of life for residents. (BCC post)

The Belize City Council remains committed to sustainable development, steadily improving infrastructure one street at a time to benefit all residents. One only has to walk and drive on the streets and the upgraded infrastructure is noticeable. During flood events, water recedes quicker than usual and that is not by accident. The city is a far better place to live in compared to 2018 when Mayor Wagner was swept into office.

LIQUOR LICENSE NOTICES:

Notice is hereby given that **Jalyne Balderamos** is applying for a **Restaurant Liquor License** to be operated at **"Jay's Corner"** located at Cor. # 39 Mahogany Street, Belize City, Belize District under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Revised Edition 1980.

Notice is hereby given that **Gloria Reyes** is applying for a **Malt & Cider Liquor License** to be operated at **"Liony Grocery Shop"** located on Norma L. Young Street, Belize City, Belize District under the Intoxicating Liquor License Ordinance Revised Edition 1980.

LETTER TO THE Editor

Let's Break the Cycle- Restore Safety Support the 13th Amendment!

Dear Editor,

Crime continues to haunt our communities, but I commend Commissioner of Police Dr. Richard Rosado and Collet's Area Representative, Hon. Devin Daly, for their firm and compassionate leadership. The message is clear: while we support law enforcement efforts and peaceful community building, it is time for stronger legislative tools.

Dr. Rosado's call for the 13th Amendment is not about removing rights but restoring safety. We cannot allow a violent few to dictate the future of our nation. The truth is, police are doing what they can—deploying special branch officers, following strong leads, and using every available strategy. But without better legal tools, even the best efforts fall short.

Hon. Daly is right—we must show more love, more unity, and be our neighbour's keeper. But love also means protecting our communities from violence. The 13th Amendment aims to break the entrenched gang network while giving the state the edge it needs to act decisively.

Let us not be fooled by those who defend the status quo in the name of rights. The right to life and security must come first.

Support the amendment. Support peace.

Sincerely,
A Concerned Belizean

Belize Solid Waste Management Authority

Solid Waste Management Authority
Ministry of Sustainable Development, Climate Change, Solid Waste Management

INVITATION TO BID

1. The Government of Belize (or GOB), acting through the Ministry of Sustainable Development, Climate Change and Solid Waste Management on behalf of the Belize Solid Waste Management Authority, now invites sealed Bids from eligible and qualified Bidders for the Services mentioned below in the table.

Name	Contract Period
Operation of the Regional Sanitary Landfill of the Regional Sanitary Land – Mile 24 George Price Highway	24 months

2. Procurement will be conducted through the Open Tendering Process in accordance with the public procurement laws of Belize.

3. This invitation is open to all eligible Bidders as outlined in the Bidding Documents.

4. Qualification requirements are detailed in Section II of the Bidding Documents. Prospective Bidders are advised to consult the Instructions to Bidders carefully.

5. A complete set of Bidding Documents in English may be obtained via email upon request to the email address below.

6. The Bidding Documents will be emailed to the Bidder at the address provided in the request.

7. A site visit will be held on Thursday, July 18, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., at the Mile 24 Regional Sanitary Landfill.

8. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before 10:00 am on July 24, 2025. Late submissions will be rejected. Electronic bid submissions will not be accepted. Bids will be publicly opened on July 24, 2025 at 10:15 in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend in person.

9. All bids must be accompanied by a Bid-Securing Declaration as specified in the Instructions to Bidders.

10. The GOB reserves the right to declare any firm ineligible for contract award if found to have engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, or collusive practices.

11. Bidders are required to submit as part of the bid "the Statement of Ethical Conduct and Fraud and Corruption". In case of misleading information or non-adherence to the Fraud and Corruption provisions of the Bidding Documents, the Bidder shall be pursued by the GOB.

12. For further information or to request Bidding Documents, please contact:

Ministry of Sustainable Development, Climate Change,
and Solid Waste Management.
Procurement Officer
Address: 7552 Hummingbird Highway, Green Building Complex,
City of Belmopan, Belize, C.A.
Tel: (501) 828-9055
Email: procurement.officer@environemnt.gov.bz

Inauguration Modern Market Area in Benque Viejo

May 8, 2025 - In the west of the country, just in time for the weekend's Benque Fiesta, the Benque Viejo Town Council proudly celebrated the grand opening of a market area with 12 modern market stalls. They consider this venture 'a transformative project completed after five months of dedicated effort'.

Mayor Rosales, Council members and staff at the Benque Viejo Town Council have worked with the people to achieve this milestone that proves their unwavering commitment to the betterment of the western town. Under the municipal auspices of the People's United Party (PUP), planBelize 2.0 reigns as this administration is driving economic growth and empowering local entrepreneurs in Benque Viejo.

The council states in a post: 'One step at a time, united we move forward under Mayor Rosales' visionary leadership.

The Benque Viejo Town Council, supported by skilled local workers, has delivered this cutting edge facility expected to serve as a vibrant hub for commerce and community engagement. This project reflects the PUP's mission to uplift working class communities through strategic investments in infrastructure and opportunity.

The grand inauguration was presenced by Senator Collet Montejo, representing the PUP-led government, Benque Viejo Police formation members, Father Clergy, House of Culture Coordinator, Mrs. Nayeli Yacab, Benque Viejo Town Council Staff, and the Arenal Village Council Chairman. Of course they were joined by Benqueños who came out to witness the historic moment of unity and progress showcasing the strength of collective action under PUP governance.

The Town Council posted that 'this achievement stands as a testament of this PUP's administration ability to deliver tangible results for its residents while fostering economic resilience and community pride in Benque Viejo del Carmen Town'.

This projects showcases to the nation that the PUP is not only winning elections in a vacuum. When that is hinted it is a direct slight to the voters who are seeing and feeling progress. Our Belizean citizens cannot be bought. They vote PUP because they are benefitting en masse. Belize is winning!!

Belize National Prayer

Almighty and Eternal God, who through Jesus Christ has revealed Your Glory to all nations, please protect and preserve Belize, our beloved country.

God of might, wisdom and justice, please assist our Belizean government and people with your Holy Spirit of counsel and fortitude.

Let Your light of Your divine wisdom direct their plans and endeavours so that with Your help we may attain our just objectives.

With Your guidance, may all our endeavours tend to peace, social justice, liberty, national happiness, the increase of industry, sobriety and useful knowledge.

We pray, O God of Mercy, for all of us that we may be blessed in the knowledge and sanctified in the

observance of Your most holy law, that we may be preserved in union and, in that peace which the world itself cannot give.

And, after enjoying the blessings of this life, please admit us, dear Lord, to that eternal reward that You have prepared for those who love You.

Amen.

Request for Bids (RFB)

Water Supply & Modernization Program

BL-L1043

Water Network Expansion Works for Harmonyville

1. This RFB follows the General Procurement Notice for this Project publicized as of *27 June 2025.*
2. *Belize Water Services Limited has received financing* from the Inter-American Development Bank toward the cost of *Water Supply & Modernization Program* and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this loan to payments under the Contract for *Works for Water Network Expansion to Harmonyville.*
3. The *Belize Water Services Limited* now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for *Water Network Expansion Works for Harmonyville.* The delivery/construction period is *180 days from Start Date as specified in ITB 5.4 (k).*
4. The RFB will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures specified in the Inter-American Development Bank's *Policies for the Procurement of Goods and Works financed by the Inter-American Development Bank GN-2349-15 and* is open to all bidders from Eligible Source Countries as defined in the bidding document.
5. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from *Belize Water Services Limited, Ms. Stephanie Lozano, Procurement Specialist at rce@bwsl.com.bz*
6. Qualification requirements include: *copies of original documents defining the constitution, Power of Attorney, experience in works similar nature and size for the past 5 years and other information as requested in the RFB document ITB 5.*
7. A complete set of the bidding document in English may be obtained by interested bidders on the submission of a written Application to the address below. The bidding document will be sent by email.
8. Bids must be delivered to the address below at or before *2:00 p.m. 25th July 2025.* Electronic bidding *"shall not"* be permitted. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened physically at *2:15 p.m. 25th July 2025* in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend in person or on-line.
9. All bids *"shall"* be accompanied by a *"Bid Security"* of *3% of bid price in US Dollars or an equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency.*
10. The address referred to above is: *Ms. Stephanie Lozano, Procurement Specialist, Belize Water Services Limited, 7 Central American Boulevard, Belize City, Belize C.A.*

Five Fort George Residents Receive PlanBelize 2.0 Homes in Black Berry Ridge Estate

Today is a special day for Fort George as 5 happy and deserving residents received the plans and keys to their brand new houses at Black Berry Ridge Estate. I was honored to share in their proud moment. There were smiles all around from Teresita, Feliciana, Asiah, Zyanya and Candelaria, as it sunk in that they are now proud home owners. They even got a small housewarming (or in this case, cooling) gift from the Fort George PUP committee.

This life changing event is a hallmark of the government and Plan Belize. In addition to building houses we are creating new and dynamic communities made up of a cross section of young professionals, entrepreneurs, retirees and families raising the next generation of Belizeans.

Special thanks to Minister Julius and the team at MIDH for helping to make these women's dreams come true.

#fortgeorgestrong #foreverblazing

Celebrating the International Day of Cooperatives Donation by FAO to Belize

Various tools valued at $60,000.00, including drones, tablets and CAPI devices for use in capturing agricultural information in the field were today handed over by FAO to the Ministry of Agriculture, Food Security and Enterprise.

Minister Jose Abelardo Mai received the equipment on behalf of the Ministry; handing over the equipment was visiting country rep Dra. Ana Touza. The equipment was handed over during the program celebrating the International Day of Cooperatives at the Grand Resort in Belize City. (post)

BY ORDER OF CHARGEE
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SELL

HOLY REDEEMER CREDIT UNION LIMITED a statutory body formed and registered under the Credit Union Act, Chapter 314 of the Laws of Belize, Revised Edition 2000, and whose registered office is situated at No. 1 Hyde's Lane, Belize City, Belize District hereby gives notice of its intention to exercise its power of sale as Chargee under and by virtue of a Charge registered at the Land Registry between **LORE LOREASE BUTLER** of the one part and HRCU of the other part.

HRCU will at the expiration of three months from the date of the first publication of this notice sell the property described in the Schedule below.

ALL offers to purchase the said property must be made in writing to Holy Redeemer Credit Union Limited from whom full particulars and conditions of sale may be obtained.

SCHEDULE

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land comprising 0.787 Acre being Parcel 5293, Block 16 in the Ladyville/Lord's Bank Registration Section located at No. 5293 Lake Gardens, Ladyville, Belize District TOGETHER with all buildings and erections standing and being thereon, the freehold property of **LORE LOREASE BUTLER**

DATED this 7th day of July 2025

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Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/hrcuforeclosure/

PUBLIC NOTICE

Lodgement of Supplemental Information and Public Consultation

For

Sarteneja-South Winds Limited

For a proposed Subdivision and Tourism Development, Sarteneja Village, Corozal District

The general public is hereby informed that supplemental information complementing the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report for a proposed subdivision and tourism development project located near Sarteneja Village, Corozal District, has been submitted by Sarteneja South Winds Limited to the Department of the Environment (DOE). The EIA report was prepared by Sustainable Development Consulting Services. The EIA report and its supplemental information will be reviewed by the National Environmental Appraisal Committee (NEAC) before a final decision is taken by the DOE.

The general public is also informed that the EIA report and its supplemental information are available for public review, free of charge, from July 2nd to July 31st, 2025 (Monday- Friday) during normal working hours (8:00 am to 5:00 pm) at the following locations:

1. At Sarteneja Village at the house of the Chairman,
2. At Chunox Village at the house of the Chairman, and
3. The DOE's office at 7552 Hummingbird Highway, Belmopan.

The EIA report and its supplemental information are also available on the DOE's website at the links: https://doe.gov.bz/?post_type=wpdmpro&p=17043&preview=true and https://doe.gov.bz/?post_type=wpdmpro&p=17044&preview=true
The public is invited to submit their comments in writing on or before 31st July 2025, to the DOE Office in Belmopan or email: envirodept@environment.gov.bz; eiaunit@environment.gov.bz and link: https://forms.gle/gpeSSYL2FL21FJDk8

Kindly be informed that a hybrid (in-person and virtual) public consultation for the supplemental information will be held on July 24th, 2025, commencing at 6:00 pm. The in-person consultation will be held at the Sarteneja Village Almendro Park, Corozal District and an online link will be provided near to the date for those who will participate virtually. The consultation will also be streamed live via the Government of Belize Press Office Facebook Page.

The General Public is invited to attend in person or participate online, to make comments, ask questions, seek clarification, and/or provide input with regard to this proposed project.

Specific Procurement Notice
One (1) Ambulance
Nº CABEI-G-002-2147/2025
One Stage-One Envelope

July 11th, 2025.

1. SOURCE OF RESOURCES

The Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI), as part of the services it provides to its beneficiary partner countries, is granting total funding for the Procurement of One (1) Ambulance within the framework of the **Belize Integral Security Programme (BISP).**

2. EXECUTING AGENCY AND BUYER OF THE BIDDING PROCESS

2.1 Buyer's background

The Executing Body (EB) for the BISP is the Ministry of Finance, Investment, **Economic Transformation,** Civil Aviation & E-Governance. The Ministry of Economic Transformation will be responsible for the execution of the Programme and all its components, reporting all progress to CABEI and ensuring the execution of each component under the terms established for CABEI formulation and approval. The execution of BISP components will be carried out by the Co-Executors: Belize Police Department, Belize Defense Force, Belize Coast Guard and National Forensic Science Services.

2.2 The ***Ministry of Economic Transformation*** is responsible for the present Procurement process for which it invites suppliers of goods and services to submit bids for this procurement in a sealed envelope.

2.3 The Supplier will be selected and awarded in accordance with the procedures of the Central American Bank for Economic Integration as established in the Procurement Policy for Procurement of Goods, Works, Services and Consultancies with CABEI resources and its Regulations, (DI-52/2020 and PRE-18/2024) which can be found on the following web site: https://www.bcie.org.

3. PRESENTATION OF THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS

3.1 General Objectives of the Procurement: acquisition of One Ambulance.

3.2 The Buyer makes available to interested parties all the documentation related to this Procurement necessary for the preparation of bids.

a. For download on the Ministry of Economic Transformation's Website: www.met.gov.bz/bisp-tenders and the Ministry of Finance's Procurement Portal https://procurement.gov.bz/opportunities/

b. Additional information regarding the preparation of proposals can be communicated by email to: procurementofficerII.bisp@med.gov.bz and copied to projectcoordinator.bisp@med.gov.bz, ambulancebdf_g002.bisp@met.ov.bz

3.3 Bids for this invitation to bid shall be received no later than **August 12th, 2025**, until **10:00 a.m.** at the following physical address listed below:

3.4 Bids must be sent to the address below, and bids will not be permitted in electronic form. **No late bids will be accepted.** Bids shall be opened publicly, in the presence of the representatives designated by the Bidder, at the address listed below, at **10:15 a.m. on August 12th,2025**.

3.5 All Bids must be accompanied by a **"Bid Maintenance Declaration".**

3.6 The address referred to above is:

Project Coordinator
Belize Integral Security Programme
#1904 Constitution Drive, 2nd Floor, Unit 3
Belmopan City, Cayo District
Belize, Central America
Telephone Number (822-0156)

Ref: Supply and Delivery of One (1) Ambulance - BISP (Nº CABEI-G-002-2147/2025)

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Time: 9 am
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Workshop Topics Include:
How to change a tire
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How to jump-start a vehicle safely
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REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS (INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT)

IDB

Extension Officer (2)

Institution: Ministry of Finance
Country: Belize
Project: Program of Sustainable and Inclusive Belize
Process ID: BL-L1041 – P00049
Duration: Two (2) years
Duty Station: Ladyville, Belize District and Yo Creek, Orange Walk District
Deadline: July 18, 2025; 1:00 p.m. (Local Belize Time) (EXTENSION)

The Government of Belize (GOB) has received loan financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) for the implementation of the Project "Program of Sustainable and Inclusive Belize".

The Ministry of Finance, through its Central Executing Unit, intends to allocate a portion of the project's proceeds to engage contractual services of an **"Extension Officer".**

The Ministry of Finance invites individuals to access the full version of this Request for Application and Terms of Reference (TOR) at SAIB – Extension Officer -Individual Consultant-BL-1041-P00049-MOF-2025 - Procurement Portal or by scanning the QR code below, and to submit application packages in accordance with the instructions provided in the full version.

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Sarteneja Reverse Osmosis Plant Becoming a Reality, One step at a time…

July 3 - The Sarteneja Waterboard is more than happy to announce that the new RO plant is already settled on Sarteneja Water System compound. It has been a challenge but improvements is being seen in steps. The Waterboard issued Special thanks to Hon. Florencio Marin the Area representative and Minister of Rural Transformation, Community development, Labor & Local government(MRTCDLL). The Protected Areas Conservation Trust & Government of Belize also got a Special Thanks for making the project a reality.

The people were consulted and informed on this project as they are the most important stakeholder. Many thanks to each and every one is offered to all who came out on May 30 to listen about the ongoing agenda on this particular project.

The Belize Water Service are the contractors of the project while the Ministry of Rural Transformation will oversee the project until it's completion. The Project is Funded by PACT and the Government of Belize. At the meeting the financial breakdown was explained. The project is estimated to be completed by the end of August. With a joint effort has secured a $2-Million-investment to supply and install said plant. This new plant will be able to produce 110,000 gallons of water per day by using brackish water from the well. Belize Water Services (BWS) will take primary responsibility for the implementation of this project.

The brand new reverse osmosis plant in the Sarteneja village, Corozal District will help to ensure that the water system can meet the current needs of the community as well as for future expansion. Sarteneja is a growing community and this investment could not have come at a better time. This RO plant will be installed and tested and the local operators will be trained by BWS.

It is important to note that Sarteneja is the second largest village in Belize, with an estimated population of 3,500, and tourism is increasingly emerging as a significant source of income for this community. Therefore, the investment aligns with the Sustainable Development Goals and the vision of a Blue Economy.

Present at the March 5 groundbreaking ceremony were Cornelio Acosta Jr, BWS Executive Chairman; Ashton Longsworth, the Ministry of Finance's Assets and Utilities Manager; Hon. Florencio Marin Jr; Lucio Guerrero, the Chairman of the Sarteneja Village Council; Jemayel Verde, the Sarteneja Water Board Chairman; and Juan Marin Jr, the Rural Water Services Manager.

Incidentally, the MRTCDLL is will soon be completing the base to hold extra tanks to expand the reservoir capacity of the Chunox Village Water System in Corozal. Water is life and the planBelize 2.0 administration is relentless in making sure that it is reaching more Belizean in the healthiest, most efficient and cost-effective manner.

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GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE URBAN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
LOAN CONTACT NO.5877/OC-BL

Institution: Ministry of Finance
Country: Belize, Central America
Project: Sustainable and Inclusive Urban Development Program
Loan Number: BL-L1046
Loan Contract No.: 5877/OC-BL
Sector: Urban Development and Housing - Neighborhood Upgrading

The Government of Belize has received financing in the amount of USD 12,500,000 from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and intends to utilize the funds for eligible payments related to the procurement of goods, works, related services, and consulting services under the "Sustainable and Inclusive Urban Development" program. This project has received USD 10,000,000 in the form of a loan and the additional USD 2,500,000 in the form of a grant.

The overarching goal is to contribute to the sustainable urban development of municipalities of northern Belize. The specific objectives are: (i) to improve access to selected urban services; (ii) to support local economic growth; and (iii) to facilitate the social and economic integration of vulnerable populations, such as migrant population and women.

The Ministry of Finance invites interested bidders to access the full version of this General Procurement Notice online at https://mof.gov.bz/procurement-opportunities/ or by scanning the QR code below.

Subject – Request for information – Sustainable and Inclusive Urban Development – BL-L1046

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PM John Briceño, OW Central

At 49th Regular Meeting of the Conference of Heads of Government of CARICOM

OPM and Ministry of Investment

3rd Cohort Completes Cell Phone Repair Training in Punta Gorda

Min. Kareem Musa (Caribbean Shores), Home Affairs

Receiving from OAS, Firearms Marking Machine

Benque Town Council

New Market Inaugurated

Hon. Andre Perez, Belize Rural South

At UNESCO, placing signs at our 7 World Heritage

Sarteneja in Hon. Marin's, Corozal Sudeste

Receiving long awaited Reverse Osmosis Plant

Mayor Bernard and the Belize City Council

Visiting with the Sanitation Night Crew on Mayor's Bday

Example of ongoing street work, here, Zericote St.

Min. Kevin Bernard, OW East and Health & Wellness Ministry

Promoting Adolescent Health with UNICEF

Congrats to Nazarene High on winning Video

OW East children in Blue Creek for Summer

Hon. Michel Chebat, Cayo North w/ Min. Musa, Home Affairs

Opening of NEW Kontiki Substation

MIDH prepped up culverts in time for substation opening

Min. Julius Espat, MIDH planBelize Homes

Corozal Southeast

Cayo Northeast

One Family at a Time

Hon. Florencio Marin, Corozal Sudeste

Reunión de comité en Caledonia

Villages Resume Work post 2025 VCE's

Hon. Ramirez' San Narciso VC resume garbage collection

Multi-Ministry Delegation

Belize at Giga Connectivity Forum in Geneva

Hon. Landy Habet, Cayo Northeast

At site, connecting the NE villages of Cayo w Santa Elena

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'I Am Belize' Scholarship Recipient in the Programme Engaged in Computer Training Using Newly Received Chromebooks

July 8, 2025 - This past June, fifteen Restore Belize students graduated in their respective schools and going forward seventeen high school recipient students from low-income families are benefiting from full scholarships through the expansion of the Restore Belize's 'I Am Belize' Scholarship Program. The Executive Director of the program, Christine Smith, stated that the scholarships are based on needs as opposed to merit and the recipients are recommended by various schools that partner with the organization and are screened to qualify.

On June 8, taking advantage of the summer break, the uplifting began at The Belize Training and Employment Centre (#BTEC) facilitating an Introduction to Computer Training to RESTORE Belize Scholars. The training provided by BTEC, a unit of BELTRAIDE, introduced participants in 'I AM Belize Scholarship' program to Information Technology that will enable them to start their high school journey. The training is specifically designed to empower first-form students. The students thank BELTRAIDE for their generous donation of time to engage with our students through this training, which will greatly benefit them as they start their high school careers.

Also, the students were doubly grateful for the computer they were using as they had just received these from the Office of the Special Envoy for Families and Children and SCLAN Belize who donated Chromebooks, one to each scholarship recipient.

This donation is already greatly assisting the scholars and further will assist during Study Hall. This is a safe space where students can receive help with challenging topics and review assignments after a day of school. So at BTEC, the Chromebooks are being used to introduce Information Technology to the new recipients. The after school tutoring, and Chromebook adds to an educational blend to provide more than just tuition, books, uniforms and a healthy meal.

The program, under the Office of the Prime Minister, extends heartfelt gratitude for this generous donation of the educationally needed gadgets and training, which will significantly impact the academic lives of our students and provide them with the support they need to jumpstart into high school life.

Mayors Meet with Counterpart in Bacalar, Q.Roo

Being neigbourly with Chetumal is usual and with Bacalar it is fairly usual. The Mayors of Belmopan, San Pedro and Orange Walk aimed to change this. In a visit with Lic. Mendez, the four dignitaries met to discuss and foment a friendship that Belize does enjoy with Mexico.

In a Belmopan City Council Facebook post, the following was excerpted, His Worship Mayor Pablo Cawich of the Capital city, Belmopan; Mayor Gualberto Ramon Nunez of San Pedro Town; and Mayor Ladrick Sheppard of Orange Walk Town visited the Mexican Municipality of Bacalar, Quintana Roo, on July 4, 2025, at the official invitation of Municipal President Lic. José Alfredo Contreras Mendez, to explore ways and means on how to strengthen cooperation between their respective municipalities.

The post highlighted the major mutual areas of interest for the Mayor of our Capital city: archeology, culture, sports, and tourism, among other areas of innovation and sister-city solution partnerships. In his brief remarks at the encounter, His Worship Mayor Cawich commented: "It is my hope that this visit would set the foundation for the eventual signing of a Letter of Intent, which would signal my Council's seriousness to continue to bring sustainable socio-economic development to the City of Belmopan."

From this visit, Mayor Cawich hopes to encourage people-to-people diplomacy and foster global peace by building a sense of global identity and solidarity that promotes appreciation of different cultures and investment opportunities.

On behalf of the people of Belmopan, Mayor Cawich left an open invitation to the Presidente Municipal, Lic. José Alfredo Contreras Mendez and the people of Bacalar, to visit Belmopan.

It is left to see how the Orange Walk and San Pedro will move forward officially with Bacalar.

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GOB - IDB Workshop On Advancing Public-Private Partnerships in Belize

July 7, 2025 - The Government of Belize, in collaboration with the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), launched a two-day workshop titled "From PPP Policy to PPP Program: Identifying, Prioritizing, and Executing Public-Private Partnerships in Belize." The event brings together key public officials, technical experts, and international consultants to strengthen the country's capacity to develop and implement sustainable infrastructure through Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs).

Opening remarks were delivered by Ms. Rocío Medina Bolívar, IDB Country Representative, Ms. Sandra Cuello, Director of the PPP Unit in the Office of the Prime Minister, and Mr. Joseph Waight, Financial Secretary at the Ministry of Finance. The workshop is part of the IDB's ongoing technical cooperation to support Belize's PPP framework and project pipeline.

The workshop agenda includes modules on PPP fundamentals, project identification and screening, fiscal sustainability, business case development, procurement, implementation, and climate resilience. Participants will engage in hands-on activities, including project prioritization exercises and a case study on road rehabilitation.

The event is facilitated by the IDB's PPP Unit, in partnership with Rebel, a consulting firm with extensive experience in PPPs across the region. It aims to equip Belizean institutions with the tools and knowledge to structure viable, inclusive, and resilient PPP projects aligned with international best practices and local policy. (release)

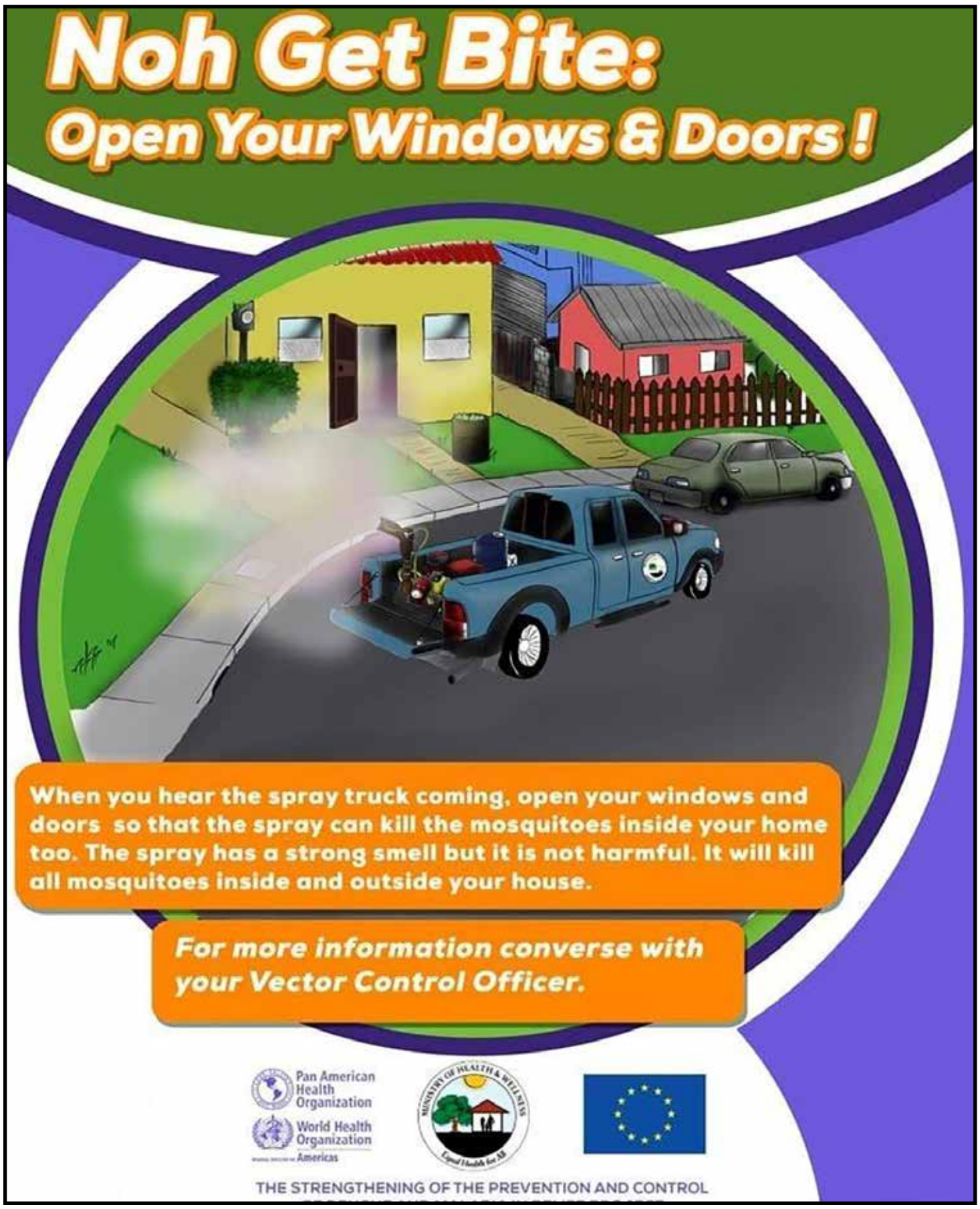
It is important to point out that Public-Private Partnerships is a focal element in planBelize 2.0 policy. That makes this workshop a meaningful one for this PUP administration. Many of the successes around the country in terms of infrastructure, housing, sports, health, Blue Economy, Green Economy, Orange Economy, Foreign Direct Investment etc. is due to the PPP policy of the John Briceño administration. This policy had been evaluated by the people and the mandate is that it is the Right Track.

Transport Ministry Hosts Roundtable with ORINCO and Central Bank of Belize Transport Investment Opportunities

July 7, 2025 - The Ministry of Constitution and Religious Affairs, Indigenous Affairs, and Transportation, led by Hon. Dr. Louis Zabaneh and CEO Mr. Chester Williams, hosted a roundtable discussion with members of the Organization of Insurance Companies of Belize Ltd. (ORINCO) and the Central Bank of Belize on July 4, 2025, at the Best Western Belize Biltmore Plaza.

The meeting focused on investment opportunities in the national transport modernization initiative through a public-private partnership. The Ministry expressed its appreciation for ORINCO's and the Central Bank's engagement and emphasized the importance of local investment in transforming Belize's public transportation system. ORINCO expressed support for the concept and offered to remain engaged in communication with the Ministry.

The Ministry remains committed to fostering collaborative partnerships that drive sustainable development in the transportation sector. This engagement marks a significant advancement toward a modern, efficient, and inclusive public transport system for all Belizeans. (release)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Food Security

Ramping up Wheat Research in Belize

Intensive Varietal Trial to be Launched

July 4, 2025 - Researchers in the Ministry of Agriculture, Food Security and Enterprise and the Caribbean Agricultural Research and Development Institute (CARDI) are in the process of launching an intensive varietal research program for wheat in Belize. This varietal research program will be testing the performance of 100 open-pollinated varieties of wheat from two (2) lines, one line that has tolerance to semi-arid conditions, and the other line with tolerance to high temperature conditions. These varieties were provided by the International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT), based in Mexico, and the design of the research trials is being done in collaboration with CIMMYT. CIMMYT, a key member of the CGIAR network, leads the Global Wheat Program, one of the world's most extensive wheat breeding initiatives focused on enhancing food security and reducing poverty.

The High Temperature Wheat (HTW) yield trial is scheduled to be planted during the two planting seasons this year, ie. July and December, and the Semi-Arid Wheat (SAW) yield trial will be planted in 2026. Experimental fields will be established in the Cayo and Orange Walk Districts. Preliminary results from the first planting of the high temperature wheat trial will be available by the end of the year.

Earlier this week, the Ministry of Agriculture, Food Security and Enterprise (MAFSE) convened a meeting with representatives from the Ministry and CARDI to fine-tune the design, and to program the initiation of the wheat trial in Belize. Attendees included Dr. Victoriano Pascual, Chief Agricultural Officer; Mrs. Teresita Balan and Mrs. Lillian Suntecun of MAFSE; as well as Ms. Omaira Avila Rostant, CARDI Country Representative; and Mr. Roberto Can, also of CARDI. During the meeting, special thanks was extended to CIMMYT and Mexico for entrusting Belize with these trial varieties and supporting Belize's agricultural research efforts.

Belize has already established a strong presence in grain production - particularly corn, sorghum, soybean, and beans. Introducing wheat trials adds momentum to the MAFSE's grain development strategy, providing farmers with new options to boost competitiveness in the grain sector.

During the period 2020 to 2024, Belize imported between 45 to 50 million pounds of wheat and another 7-8 million pounds of wheat flour. When taken together, Belize spends just under BZ $30 million annually on wheat and wheat flour imports.

Given wheat's global significance as a staple crop, and Belize's current dependence on wheat and wheat flour imports, the Ministry sees this initiative as a timely step in its efforts targeting food security and reducing the country's import bill. (release)

All Important Signage

UNESCO World Heritage Site

Bacalar Chico National Park and Marine Reserve!

Belize has recognized the importance of being favorably labelled as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. It offers numerous benefits, primarily revolving around international recognition, protection, and economic opportunities. In Belize we have noted how it elevates a site's profile, attracts tourism and investment while also fostering a sense of global responsibility for preservation at the site. This designation can lead to increased community pride and engagement in heritage conservation. That increased pride could be seen in The Ministry of Blue Economy and Marine Conservation and the Coastal Zone Management Authority & Institute, as they officially unveiled the new UNESCO World Heritage Site signage at Bacalar Chico National Park and Marine Reserve.

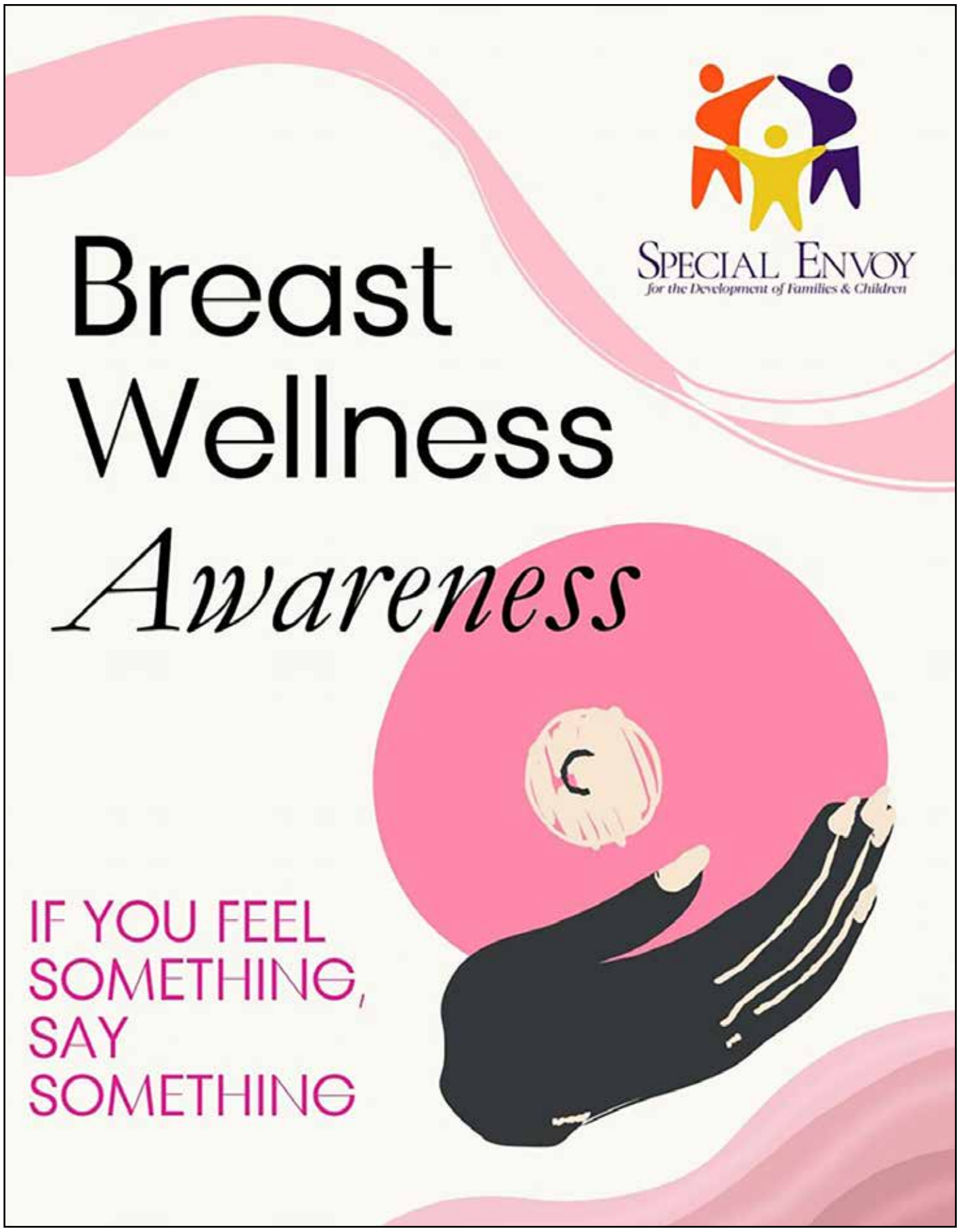
This unveiling marks a symbolic milestone in the nationwide rollout of signage across all seven selected sites(Bacalar Chico National Park and Marine Reserve, Blue Hole Natural Monument, Half Moon Caye Natural Monument, South Water Caye Marine Reserve, Glover's Reef Marine Reserve, Laughing Bird Caye National Park, and Sapodilla Cayes Marine Reserve), part of the ongoing project "Advancing Implementation of the Branding, Marketing, and Communication Strategy for the Belize Barrier Reef Reserve System – a UNESCO World Heritage Site."

It also marks the beginning of a broader national effort to strengthen visibility and awareness across all seven designated sites through the implementation of this comprehensive branding, marketing, and communication strategy.

Hon. Andre Perez, Minister of Blue Economy and Marine Conservation, emphasized that this initiative is a shining example of what we can achieve when government and its partners work together to not only protect, but also promote our natural heritage.

This project was possible with the support and funding from the Mesoamerican Reef Fund -MAR Fund. The Belize Tourism Board is very much interested in this recognition. They remarked on their Social Media: "This recognition reinforces the importance of preserving Belize's biodiversity for future generations."

The ceremony featured remarks from: Mr. Joel Verde, Sarteneja Alliance for Conservation and Development, Mr. Eliceo Cobb, Mesoamerican Reef Fund, Hon. Andre Perez, Minister of Blue Economy and Marine Conservation, Ms. Chantalle Samuels, CEO, Belize Coastal Zone Management Authority and Institute.



CONTINUOUS WORK IN PORT LOYOLA WITH THE AREA REP, HON GILROY USHER

Port Loyola Residents Receive Six More Starter Homes

On Wednesday afternoon July 9th, Hon. Gilroy Usher Area Representative for Port Loyola and six of his constituents were all filled with joy as they received the keys for their new starter homes.

With a small mortgage payment of only $25.00 weekly or $100.00 per month compared to $500.00 per month for room with a weekly rate of $125.000, many of the recipients will have more disposable income to add another room to the homes or address other needs of the family.

The concrete structures are complete with ceiling, partition, electrical wiring, and plumbing facilities, and are designed for easy addition of another room.

Many thanks to the Hon. Julius Espat, Minister of Infrastructure Development and Housing (MIDH), CEO Victor Espat, Marissa Alamilla-Housing Supervisor MIDH, the contractor, the recipients, and all others, who worked diligently together to make delivery of the starter homes possible.

Promoting Positive Lifestyle & Entertainment Through Sports in Port Loyola

On Saturday July 5th Hon Gilroy Usher Area Representative for Port Loyola assisted the youths of the Jane Usher community with a new basketball and a football.

The donation is part of the ongoing efforts of Hon Gilroy Usher to promote positive lifestyle and entertainment in the division through sports.

Area Representative Hon Gilroy Usher is also collaborating with an organization on plans to paint the basketball court and bleachers, install garbage containers, and construction a new bathroom.

Construction of Needed Street to Commence this Weekend in Port Loyola

Hon Gilroy Usher Area Representative for Port Loyola, the Ministry of Infrastructure Development and Housing (MIDH), and area residents are working together to construct a new street in a developing area of the division.

When it's completed, the street will result in faster development in the division as numerous families will have easy access to their properties.

CENTRAL BANK of BELIZE

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

ASSISTANT MANAGER, OFFICE OF STRATEGY MANAGEMENT

The Central Bank invites qualified individuals to join its Office of Strategy Management.

The Assistant Manager, Office of Strategy Management, is responsible for the development and administration of the communication and public relations functions, and to assist with the development and execution of the Central Bank of Belize's strategic plan.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist in managing the day-to-day operations of the department, ensuring alignment of activities with strategic priorities.
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Submit the following documents by **Wednesday, 16 July 2025:**

- Central Bank Employment Form (available online)
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- Copies of university transcripts, degrees, and any other personal certificates
- Two (2) current references (one must be from a previous employer)

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Launch NATIONAL STRATEGY & ROADMAP

FOR THE CULTURAL AND CREATIVE SECTOR-BELIZE (NSAR-CCS)

The National Institute of History and Culture (NICH) and the Institute of Creative Arts (ICA) have been at the forefront of Belize's cultural and creative sectors' development under the stewardship of the Minister of Culture, Francis Fonseca. Initiatives such as the opening of the Museum of Belizean Arts (MOBA) in Belize City and the revitalization of the historic Government House, The Belize Music Project-the preservation of a hundred years of Belizean Music and stronger support for Pan Yaad, Carnival and municipal cultural events aimed at boosting national unity are a few of the endeavours that is geared towards the preservation of Belize's history and culture.

In furtherance, NICH, on Thursday, through the Institute of Creative Arts officially launched the National Strategy and Roadmap for the Cultural and Creative Sector - Belize (NSAR-CCS), which is being funded by UNESCO and the European Union (EU). According to NICH, the initiative aims to shape a unified vision for strengthening Belize's diverse and creative sector. Importantly, the strategy is being developed with the participation of the artists and creatives being placed at the center of the National Strategy and Roadmap for the Cultural and Creative Sector vision. According to a social media post on the NICH page, both the ICA Director Kim Vasquez and UNESCO's Consultant Dr. Deborah-Hickling Gordon have been visiting studios and galleries, engaging with artists and creatives and meeting with cultural associations and stakeholders towards the formation of the National Team. A Technical Work Group comprised of institutional and government partners will provide support to the project.

The central objective is to "harmonize efforts to support the Orange Economy." Incidentally, it was at the Belize Investment Summit 2023 held in San Pedro, in the keynote presentation by the former President of Colombia, Ivan Duque Marqués that the Orange Economy prominently took center-stage. Marquez defined the Orange Economy as "The economy that combines four good, critical elements. One is heritage, and the other is the media, the arts, and creative functional elements or functional creation. It's one of the most powerful elements today that can lead countries to the next level of growth."

This will be realized through the National Strategy and Roadmap for the Cultural and Creative Sectors with a focus on fostering growth, economic contribution and cultural preservation in Belize. However, the lead consultant for the project, Dr. Deborah-Hickling Gordon emphasized that "We have to ensure that we are balancing the preservation and the protection of the cultural and creative expression with the economic production of goods and services and the trade of those services and the value that we create." The endgame is to create a "force in which people are not just going to find a job but be employed where their talent can excel." (Ivan Duque Marques).

Consultant Gordon, in a statement to the media, pronounced that "What is really important is that this is Belize's policy and the decisions that are made within this strategy and roadmap have to be that of the people of Belize and the practitioners of Belize."

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By Hilly Bennett

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Public Notice

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

New Banknotes to Enter Circulation on 4 August 2025

Belize City, 8 July 2025: The Central Bank of Belize is pleased to announce that the new 2025 banknote series will officially enter circulation on **4 August 2025**.

The new series includes enhanced security features, updated themes, and new portraits, reflecting the nation's heritage and safeguarding the integrity of Belize's currency. While the banknotes will have a new look, the exchange rate remains unchanged at BZ$2 to US$1.

Since the design reveal in January, the Central Bank has been actively engaging schools, businesses, financial institutions, and the public through education and outreach activities. "We have worked diligently to ensure a smooth and secure rollout. We want every citizen to feel confident using the new banknotes," said Governor Kareem Michael.

The new banknotes will be available at all domestic banks on the date of circulation. However, the new banknotes will not be available at all ATMs, as ATMs continue to be configured. All ATMs are expected to begin dispensing the new banknotes shortly after the circulation date.

Existing banknotes will remain legal tender. However, the Central Bank strongly encourages the public to deposit them at their financial institutions, so that they can be phased out of circulation.

We thank the public for their continued cooperation and support as we transition to this new series. To learn more about the new banknotes, visit **www.centralbank.org.bz**.

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New Police Substation Kontiki, San Ignacio

The Kontiki community in San Ignacio Town now boasts a brand-new police substation serving several surrounding neighborhoods, including Maya Vista, Boiton Area, Trench Town, Mosquitoville, and Shawville. Staffed with 20 police officers and supported by the Criminal Investigation Branch (CIB), the facility is a much-needed addition that will strengthen law enforcement presence and improve response times throughout the area. This new substation forms part of the Government's continued efforts to enhance citizen security and foster stronger relationships between law enforcement and the communities they serve. (Release)

The MIDH was in on the preparation as had a team in San Ignacio in the Kontiki Area, installing culverts, spreading crushed material and resurfacing shoulders in preparation for the inauguration of the new Kontiki Police Substation. They displayed the usual teamwork at its best, all to benefit of the Belizean people.

When there is progress in any village/area of Belize, the progress can be attributed to planBelize 2.0. This John Briceño government had proven once more in the rural elections 2025 that its policy is beyond octopus-style.

All Belizeans are asked to participate in the maintaining of law and order. Policemen are there to help the wider body of people who are expected to be law-abiding. And, most of Belize is law-abiding. Rooting out the minority that vandalizes the Haulover Bridge(for example), commits murder, burglarizes, steals, cyberbullyies, drives under the influence etc. is the perpetual plight of police and community.

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July 4th, 2025.

1. **SOURCE OF RESOURCES**

The Central American Bank for Economic Integration (CABEI), as part of the services it provides to its beneficiary partner countries, is granting total funding for the Procurement of One (1) Mini – Coach Bus for the **Belize Defence Force (BDF)** within the framework of the **Belize Integral Security Programme (BISP).**

2. **EXECUTING AGENCY AND BUYER OF THE BIDDING PROCESS**

1.1 Buyer's background

The Executing Body (EB) for the BISP is the Ministry of Finance, Investment, **Economic Transformation,** Civil Aviation, and E-Governance. The Ministry of Economic Transformation will be responsible for the execution of the Programme and all its components, reporting all progress to CABEI and ensure the execution of each component under the terms established for CABEI formulation and approval. The execution of BISP components will be carried out by the Co-Executors: Belize Police Department, Belize Defense Force, Belize Coast Guard, and National Forensic Science Services.

1.2 The *Ministry of Finance, Investment, **Economic Transformation,** Civil Aviation & E-Government* is responsible for the present Procurement process, for which it invites suppliers of goods and services to submit bids for this procurement in a sealed envelope.

1.3 The Supplier will be selected and awarded in accordance with the procedures of the Central American Bank for Economic Integration as established in the Procurement Policy for Procurement of Goods, Works, Services and Consultancies with CABEI resources and its Regulations, (DI-52/2020 and PRE-18/2024) which can be found on the following web site: https://www.bcie.org.

2. **PRESENTATION OF THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS**

1.1 General Objectives of the Procurement: acquisition of One (1) – Mini - Coach Bus for use by the Belize Defence Force (BDF).

1.2 The Buyer makes available to interested parties all the documentation related to this Procurement necessary for the preparation of bids.

a. For download on the Ministry of Economic Transformation's Website: www.met.gov.bz/bisp-tenders and the Ministry of Finance's Procurement Portal www.procurement.gov.bz/opportunities/

b. Additional information regarding the preparation of proposals can be communicated by email to: procurementofficerII.bisp@met.gov.bz and copied to projectcoordinator.bisp@met.gov.bz, busbdf_g001.bisp@met.gov.bz

1.3 Bids for this invitation to bid shall be received no later than **August 5th, 2025,** until **10:00 a.m.** at the following physical address below:

1.4 Bids must be sent to the address below, and bids will not be permitted in electronic form. **No late bids will be accepted.** Bids shall be opened publicly, in the presence of the representatives designated by the Bidder, at the address listed below, at **10:15 a.m. on August 5th, 2025.**

1.5 All Bids must be accompanied by a **"Bid Maintenance Declaration".**

1.6 The address referred to above is:

Project Coordinator
Belize Integral Security Programme
#1904 Constitution Drive, 2nd Floor, Unit 3
Belmopan City, Cayo District
Belize, Central America
Telephone Number (822-0156)

Ref: Supply and Delivery of One (1) Mini–Coach Bus - BISP (Nº CABEI-G-001-2147/2025)

GoB Meeting with Unions A Continue Partnership

The government of Belize and the Joint Unions have agreed on the highly publicized salary adjustments which will commence this October 2025. The government had agreed to the 8.5 percent as from the first meeting after the JUNT's mostly unreasonable call for several levels of industrial action. Even the public was taken by surprise by the Union leadership balking at the good faith offer.

The Union threw firewood into the mix and lit it up. This newspaper got wind of a picture showing Union leaders sitting with the over-and-over rejected UDP. This was the fall from public grace for the loudmouths of the Union leadership. No one wants the UDP not even the Union members who represent the people of Belize. The most highly respected of polls in Belize is the ballot count at General and Village elections; the PUP has two most recent mandates with the people on the side of planBelize 2.0.

So going forward, the PUP still needs the Unions and listens to their input. They met to talk about how to improve government efficiency and the advancement of good governance.

Below is the Government's Press Release

GOVERNMENT AND LABOR UNIONS MEET TO ADVANCE GOVERNANCE AND PUBLIC SECTOR EFFICIENCY

Belmopan, Belize. July 9, 2025.

The Government's Union Consultation Team, chaired by Deputy Prime Minister Hon. Cordel Hyde, met with representatives from the Belize National Teachers Union (BNTU), the Public Service Union (PSU), and the Association of Public Service Senior Managers (APSSM) to discuss key issues centered on enhancing governance and improving the delivery of public services.

In his opening remarks, Hon. Hyde commended the Joint Union Negotiating Team (JUNT) for their continued cooperation and constructive engagement with the Government, which has led to sustained dialogue and mutually beneficial outcomes.

The meeting featured presentations from three key committees: the Committee for Enhanced Efficiency in Revenue Collection, the Committee to Evaluate and Advise on Cost Saving Measures, and the Pension Reform Sub-Committee. The reports guided focused discussions on improving tax collection, identifying strategic cost-saving measures, and ensuring the long-term sustainability of the pension system.

NEW NOTES Enter Circulation On Monday August 4th

Central Bank Release
July 8, 2025

The Central Bank of Belize is pleased to announce that the new 2025 banknote series will officially enter circulation on 4 August 2025.

The new series includes enhanced security features, updated themes, and new portraits, reflecting the nation's heritage and safeguarding the integrity of Belize's currency. While the banknotes will have a new look, the exchange rate remains unchanged at BZ$2 to US$1.

Since the design reveal in January, the Central Bank has been actively engaging schools, businesses, financial institutions, and the public through education and outreach activities. "We have worked diligently to ensure a smooth and secure rollout. We want every citizen to feel confident using the new banknotes," said Governor Kareem Michael.

The new banknotes will be available at all domestic banks on the date of circulation. However, the new banknotes will not be available at all ATMs, as ATMs continue to be configured.

All ATMs are expected to begin dispensing the new banknotes shortly after the circulation date.

Existing banknotes will remain legal tender. However, the Central Bank strongly encourages the public to deposit them at their financial institutions, so that they can be phased out of circulation.

We thank the public for their continued cooperation and support as we transition to this new series. To learn more about the new banknotes, visit www.centralbank.org.bz.

New Look, Same Value!

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BELIZE Social Investment Fund

REQUEST FOR BIDS

(Procurement of Works- UB Central Farm Meat Processing Plant)

Country: Belize
Name of Project: Climate Resilient and Sustainable Agriculture Project (CRESAP)
Contract Title: University of Belize Central Farm Meat Processing Plant
Loan No.: 9347 BE
RFB Reference No.: CRESAP/UB/W/2025-001

1. The *Government of Belize has received* financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the *Climate Resilient and Sustainable Agriculture Project* and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for the procurement of works for: UB Central Farm Meat Processing Plant.

2. The *Belize Social Investment Fund now* invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for *the procurement of works for construction of a Meat Processing Plant at the University of Belize Central Farm compound.*

3. Bidding will be conducted through national competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" 2016 ("Procurement Regulations") and is open to all Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.

4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from *Belize Social Investment Fund, Ms. Jahnina Reyes, procurement.cresap@sifbelize.org and inspect the bidding document during office hours 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Belize local time* at the address given below.

5. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before *10:00 a.m. on August 5th, 2025* Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on *August 5th, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.*

6. All Bids must be accompanied by a *"Bid Security" of 5% of total bid amount in Belize Dollars.*

7. "Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document."

8. The address referred to above is:

Belize Social Investment Fund
Attn: Ms. Jahnina Reyes, Procurement Officer
P.O. Box 459, 4253 Hummingbird Highway, Building C, Belmopan City, Belize
Telephone: +501-822-0239
Email: procurement.cresap@sifbelize.org
cc : Jahnina.reyes@sifbelize.org

BELIZEPROPERTYAUCTIONS.COM

COUNTRYWIDE PUBLIC AUCTION SALES: PROPERTIES & VEHICLE

Belize City, Belize ;Loma Luz Boulevard, Santa Elena, Cayo District

BY ORDER of the Mortgagees Messrs. Atlantic Bank Limited, Licensed Auctioneers Kevin A. Castillo and Christiana R. Castillo are selling ONLINE via belizepropertyauctions.com the following properties and vehicle. Sales currently running and will expire fortnightly on the dates and times listed on the website until these properties and vehicle are sold.

1. Parcel No. 1173 off Loma Luz Boulevard, Santa Elena, Cayo District:

REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
Santa Elena/Cayo	23	1173
The freehold property of Mr. Gianni Jerald Castillo		

2. Parcel No. 1174 Loma Luz Boulevard, Santa Elena, Cayo District:

REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
Santa Elena/Cayo	23	1174
The freehold property of Ms. Ronda Mae Castillo		

3. Vehicle:

2019 4DR Great Wall Wingle

"FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION & PHOTOGRAPHS PLEASE VISIT WEBSITE"

TERMS: STRICTLY CASH
KEVIN A. CASTILLO
TELEPHONE 223-4488
Website: belizepropertyauctions.com
E-mail: kevinacas@yahoo.com
Facebook: Belize Auction

BELIZEPROPERTYAUCTIONS.COM

COUNTRYWIDE PUBLIC AUCTION SALES: PROPERTIES & VEHICLE

Trial Farm, Orange Walk; Belize City, Belize; Pomona Village, Stann Creek District

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1. Parcel No. 4138 Trial Farm Village, Orange Walk District:

REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
Ann Gabourel	4	4138
The freehold property of Mr. Elmer Jason Dominguez.		

2. Lot No. 162 Pomona Village, Stann Creek District:

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land situated in Pomona Village, Stann Creek District. The freehold property of Mr. Manuel Esquivel.

3. Parcel No. 3041 Caribbean Shores, Belize City, Belize District.

REGISTRATION SECTION	BLOCK	PARCEL
Caribbean Shores	16	3041
The freehold property of Ms. Vanessa Sirias.		

VEHICLES:

2018 Chevy Equinox

2010 Mercedes- Benz

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Facebook: Belize Auction

ELECTIONS AND BOUNDARIES DEPARTMENT
VILLAGE COUNCILS ELECTIONS
OFFICIAL RESULTS - 6TH JULY 2025

TOLEDO DISTRICT

Election Date	Village	Candidates Name	Position	No. of Votes	Remarks	# of Registered	Total Votes	% of Votes	% of Voter	Spoilt Votes	Rejected Votes
7/6/25	Aguacate	**Chairpersons**				**173**	**96**		**55.49**	0	1
		CU, Joel	Chairperson	12				12.50			
		KAN, Abraham	**Chairperson**	**46**	**Elected**			47.92			
		TOSH, Angelita	Chairperson	38				39.58			
		Members					**542**			0	2
		BOLON, Jose	Member	13				2.40			
		CHOCO, Bernardo	Member	16				2.95			
		CHOCO, Rozina Marla	Member	18				3.32			
		KUK, Alberto	Member	19				3.51			
		KUK, Juan Carlos	Member	14				2.58			
		ACK, Mariano	**Member**	**44**	**Elected**			8.12			
		CAL, Santiago	**Member**	**43**	**Elected**			7.93			
		CAL, Serafina	**Member**	**42**	**Elected**			7.75			
		CHOC, William Ramirez	**Member**	**42**	**Elected**			7.75			
		CUS, Salvador	**Member**	**44**	**Elected**			8.12			
		TUSH, Santa	**Member**	**43**	**Elected**			7.93			
		CHEE, Salucita	Member	35				6.46			
		CUCUL, Teresa	Member	32				5.90			
		CUS, Alfredo	Member	38				7.01			
		TUSH, Voneta Olestra	Member	35				6.46			
		XI, Marcos	Member	31				5.72			
		XOL CHOCOJ, Ramon	Member	33				6.09			

Resilient Bold Belize
WWF GEF Blue and Green Islands IP Child Project
Blue Bond and Finance Permanence Unit

TERMS OF REFERENCE:
SAFEGUARDS AND GENDER OFFICER

Background

As part of the Blue and Green Islands GEF8 Integrated program, the Resilient Bold Belize project aims to secure the long-term conservation and resilience of Belize´s marine and coastal ecosystems, promoting nature-based livelihoods and the wellbeing of Belizeans.

The Belize project will catalyze a Project Finance for Permanence (PFP) initiative, a major private-public partnership, led by the Blue Bond and Finance Permanence Unit within the Office of Prime Minister. The PFP will integrate the value of nature into the tourism and fisheries sectors, strengthen policy coherence, institutional capacity for gender inclusive conservation planning, and strengthen capacities for financial planning and domestic resource mobilization.

Under the overall supervision and guidance of the GEF Project Manager, the Safeguards and Gender Officer will be responsible for the implementation and monitoring of the project's Gender Action Plan (GAP), Environmental and Social Management Framework / Process Framework (ESMF/PF), and Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP). The Officer will also oversee the integration of environmental and social safeguards across all project components, ensuring that community engagement is conducted in an inclusive, equitable, and culturally sensitive manner.

The Officer will work closely with the Monitoring, Evaluation, and Knowledge Management (MEK) Officer on project implementation, reporting, monitoring, and evaluation, ensuring that safeguard and gender-related dimensions are fully integrated. The Safeguards and Gender Officer will supervise community engagement activities throughout the life of the project and serve as a key advisor to the PMU on all safeguard and gender matters.

Roles and Responsibilities

Gender

- Lead and track implementation of the Gender Action Plan (GAP), under the supervision of the Project Manager.
- Collaborate with the MEK Officer to ensure gender considerations are fully incorporated into project monitoring, reporting, and evaluation systems.
- Review annual work plans and budgets, providing recommendations to ensure effective gender mainstreaming across all project activities.
- Provide ongoing guidance during project implementation to address any emerging gender-related issues.
- Work with the Project Manager to design methodologies and plans for gender-sensitive activities in collaboration with technical specialists.
- Contribute inputs to support the Results Framework and annual work plan tracking for the WWF-GEF Project.
- Participate in project management meetings and reflection workshops, offering strategic inputs for adaptive management from a gender perspective.

Environmental and Social Safeguards

- Lead the implementation of safeguard procedures outlined in the ESMF; develop additional safeguards documentation where necessary; and ensure their review, approval, and disclosure.
- Ensure that all safeguard-related documents (ESMF, PF, IPPF) are up to date, implemented effectively, and accessible to relevant stakeholders.
- Review annual work plans and budgets to ensure alignment with safeguard measures and recommend strategies to avoid or mitigate potential social and environmental risks.
- Monitor safeguard compliance among contractors and partners, ensuring that agreed mitigation actions are applied and documented in the event of noncompliance.
- Support executing and implementing partners in securing environmental clearance certificates in accordance with national and WWF requirements.
- Prepare documentation needed to comply with environmental regulations and safeguard standards as per the project timeline.
- Develop and implement a simple Environmental and Social Safeguards (ESS) monitoring checklist for use by project staff, including templates for data collection and management.
- Provide strategic oversight into environmental and social safeguard measures during project implementation and advise the PMU on appropriate responses to risks or issues.

Stakeholder Engagement

- Coordinate and monitor the implementation of the Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) under the supervision of the Project Manager.
- Facilitate communication and coordination with local governments, subcontractors, and community groups to support environmental compliance and social inclusion.
- Lead the establishment and operation of a functional Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM) to ensure timely and effective handling of community feedback and complaints.

Technical Delivery of Project Components

Component 1: Establishing conditions for implementing the Project Finance for Permanence (PFP) initiative

This component aims to support long-term, co-managed marine and coastal protected areas and ecosystems. Within this component, the Safeguards and Gender Officer will:

- Provide technical assistance to the PFP Coordination Unit in developing the Conservation Plan, including gender-responsive safeguards and mitigation measures.
- Analyze capacity gaps in environmental and social safeguards and gender inclusion within partner organizations.
- Support capacity building for the PMU, government ministries, protected area co-managers, the CTF, community stakeholders, and private sector partners.
- Deliver training to strengthen institutional safeguards and promote gender-sensitive implementation across project activities.

Overall

- Assess capacity-building needs of project staff and partners in the areas of environmental and social safeguards, stakeholder engagement, and gender.
- Deliver training and provide ongoing support to enhance implementation of the SEP, GAP, and ESMF/PF.
- Participate in field missions, technical site visits, and partner meetings to ensure compliance with relevant policies and procedures.
- Recommend indicators and contribute to the integration of safeguards and gender into the project's monitoring and evaluation framework.
- Record and report on safeguard- and gender-related field activities and contribute to quarterly, semiannual, and annual project progress reports in collaboration with the Project Manager.

Qualifications and Requirements

- A bachelor's degree in gender studies, gender and development, environmental science, sustainable development, social sciences, or a related field.
- An advanced degree in the above-mentioned disciplines is highly desirable.
- At least five years of practical experience in gender mainstreaming, women's empowerment, community engagement, and/or environmental and social safeguards in Belize and/or the Caribbean region.
- Demonstrated understanding of the intersection between gender, social inclusion, and sustainable development.
- Familiarity with relevant national legislation and international frameworks for environmental and social safeguards, including gender integration standards.
- Experience in gender-responsive capacity building, stakeholder engagement, and participatory planning.
- Previous experience working on donor-funded projects, especially with GEF or WWF, is an asset.
- Experience working with local communities, traditional leaders, marginalized groups, and government officials in multi-sectoral teams.
- Strong conflict resolution and community mediation skills.
- Excellent analytical, writing, facilitation, and communication skills.
- Fluency in written and spoken English is required; proficiency in Spanish is an asset.
- Willingness to travel extensively within the project area.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office and other relevant software tools.

Duty Station: Belize City

Payment Arrangements: The salary of the contract is commensurate with experience and qualifications.

The estimated Starting Date and Duration: Start date will be effective at contract signature. Contracts are renewed biannually based on an assessment of performance. This position requires full-time commitment.

Interested persons can send an Application Letter, CV and recent police report along with three references to email: RBBPM.bbfpunit@opm.gov.bz or printed to the following address by **Friday, 25th July 2025 no later than 4:00 p.m.**

3rd Floor, Eleanor Hall Building
Lake Independence Boulevard
Belize City

Applications will be reviewed by the Selection Committee. Those shortlisted will be invited to an interview with the Committee. Due diligence will be done to validate the information included in the CV and provided during interviews.

Resilient Bold Belize
WWF GEF Blue and Green Islands IP Child Project
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TERMS OF REFERENCE:
FINANCIAL ASSISTANT

Background

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The Financial Assistant (FA) under this project will be responsible for managing and supporting all financial and operational aspects of the Project, including supporting with procurement, administrative financial procedures, financial tracking and reporting, and ensuring compliance with the financial requirements of WWF, the GEF Agency, and the Government of Belize.

The FA will report directly to the Project Manager on day-to-day responsibilities and project execution matters and will provide timely support. The role provides financial and administrative assistance to and oversight of program staff and grantees to ensure that budgets and agreements are handled in accordance with WWF policies, procedures, systems, and donor requirements.

Roles and Responsibilities:

- Keep records of project funds and expenditures and ensure all project-related financial documentation is well maintained and readily available when required by the Project Manager.
- Reviews project expenditures and ensure that project funds are used in compliance with the Project Document and Government of Belize financial rules and procedures.
- Validates and certifies payments before submission to the Finance Officer.
- Provides necessary financial information when required for project management decisions.
- Reviews annual budgets and project expenditure reports and notify the Project Manager if there are any discrepancies or issues.
- Consolidates financial progress reports for the implementation of project activities.
- Liaises and follows up with executing partners regarding project fund disbursement and financial progress reports.
- Assists the Project Manager in the day-to-day management and oversight of project activities.
- Assists the M&E and Safeguards Officer in matters related to monitoring, evaluation, and knowledge resource management.
- Ensure all project documentation (e.g., progress reports, consultant and technical reports, meeting minutes) is properly maintained in both hard and electronic copies in an efficient and accessible filing system, for use by the Project Board, UNDP, consultants, and PMU staff.
- Prepares, administers, and maintains the GEF project budget, ensuring data accuracy and current financial records. Reviews and monitors the status of the budget against the annual work plan. Ensure spending levels are appropriate, and coding is correct. Identifies problems, recommends corrective action, assists in budget revisions, and communicates issues to the Project Manager. Ensures GEF requirements are met, including adherence to the budget structure outlined in the Project Document, and that all expenses are associated with incremental costs.
- Coordinates and prepares financial reports for submission to the WWF GEF Agency, ensuring compliance with GEF requirements.
- Supports, prepares, and monitors grant and consultant agreements to ensure compliance with agreement terms. Ensures agreements and payments are processed timely and in accordance with WWF and Government of Belize policies and audit requirements.
- Prepares paperwork for approval, secures signatures, and distributes documents to relevant parties.
- Reviews and analyzes subrecipient financial reports to ensure compliance with WWF-US and GEF Agency reporting requirements, including project partner co-financing. Notifies grantees of discrepancies and provides technical assistance to resolve issues.
- Supports WWF GEF Agency annual supervision missions by providing required documentation and assistance.
- Assists with mid-term and final independent evaluations by providing financial information and feedback where relevant, and ensures corrective actions related to financial matters are implemented based on evaluation recommendations.
- Maintains records and files on all financial and administrative aspects of the project, including agreements. Regularly monitors compliance with WWF reporting requirements and project deadlines, and ensures reports are acknowledged and routed appropriately.
- Provides support for daily administrative operations and coordination of special projects.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

Core Competencies

- Ability to manage budgets, monitor expenditures, prepare financial reports, validate payments, and ensure compliance with donor and government financial procedures.
- Proficient in maintaining comprehensive, well-structured financial and administrative records to support audits, evaluations, and reporting.
- Advanced skills in Microsoft Excel and experience with accounting systems such as QuickBooks.
- Effective written and verbal communicator who can liaise with executing partners and prepare clear documentation for diverse stakeholders.
- Experienced in processing payments, drafting financial documentation, ensuring compliance with procurement procedures, and coordinating project logistics.
- Works collaboratively within a multidisciplinary team to achieve project goals, while remaining adaptable, accountable, and focused on high-quality service delivery.

Qualifications and Requirements

The Project Finance Assistant will be recruited based on the following qualifications:

- A Bachelor degree or an advanced diploma in accounting/ financial management.
- Certification in accounting or bookkeeping (such as CAT, ACCA Level 1 or higher) will be considered an asset.
- At least five years of relevant work experience, preferably in a project management setting involving a multi-lateral/ international funding agency.
- Proficiency in the use of computer software applications, particularly MS Excel.
- Excellent language skills in English (writing, speaking and reading).

Duty Station: Belize City

Payment Arrangements: The salary of the contract is commensurate with experience and qualifications.

The estimated Starting Date and Duration: Start date will be effective at contract signature. Contracts are renewed biannually based on an assessment of performance. This position requires full-time commitment.

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PEOPLE'S UNITED PARTY

The PUP Memory

Documenting the Journey: 75 Years of National Impact and Change

As part of the People's United Party's (PUP) 75th Anniversary celebrations, ***The PUP Memory*** is the start of a major digital archive and exhibit. This archive aims to gather and publicly showcase the stories, images, and reflections of Belizeans whose lives and communities have been impacted by the People's United Party.

It is a people-powered archive that honors the party's commitment to public service, grassroots connection, and democratic engagement.

To ensure the success and inclusivity of this project, active involvement from the Executive Committees of each constituency is critical in:

1. Appointing a constituency coordinator responsible for encouraging and managing submissions and communicate with the project team.
2. Guide constituents to record data using printed forms or the online survey provided to complete their submissions.
3. Organize small gatherings or home visits to collect personal stories, photographs or quotes answering the guiding question: How has the PUP served your community?
4. Lead constituency-level online (Facebook, WhatsApp groups, and Facebook pages) campaign to collect submissions from constituents.

Submission Details:

1. The submission of photos and materials collected should be done following this link: **https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeW5hU54Uf40g93abyBX4Bf5IXmloyAxeXFDp0gmU1FqsZJaA/viewform?usp=sharing&ouid=106990140789598503008**
2. The information can be filled in and emailed to the email **pupmemory75@gmail.com.** The email should be accompanied by the form.

Deadline for Submissions: 15 July 2025

The PUP Memory – Submission Form

This form is entirely voluntary. By participating, you agree to share information and photographs that may be used for online and national exhibitions.

Fill the form or submit in this format:

1. **Contributor**: Provide the name of the person submitting their photo(s) to the archive.

_____ _____

2. Contributor's Phone Number: _____
3. Contributor's Email: _____
4. Can you tell us why or how you became a member of the PUP? (100words limit)
5. Please tell us the name of the person[s] in the photo[s] you are submitting:
6. Provide the date (or approximate year) the photo was taken.
   _____
7. Location: Provide the location where the picture was taken (Village/Town/District)

_____

8. Photo Details: Provide us with brief notes about the photo you will attach (such as campaigning, executive meeting etc). (100words limit)
9. Quote/Reflection: Leave a message for the party answering the question: How has the PUP served your community? (100words limit)
10. Is there someone in your community that should be acknowledged for their involvement as a member of the PUP? Tell us their names and why? (100words limit)

Please email this form and your photographs to the email pupmemory75@gmail.com. Thank you for your submission!

BELIZE Social Investment Fund

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT SELECTION)

Belize
Climate Resilient and Sustainable Agriculture Project (CRESAP)
Loan No.: 9347 BE
Project ID No.: P172592
Assignment Title: Laboratory Technicians
Reference No. (as per Procurement Plan): BZ-SIF-490568-CS-INDV

The Government of Belize has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Climate Resilient and Sustainable Agriculture Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") is for a suitable qualified **LABORARTORY TECHNICIANS (2) FOR THE SUGAR INDUSTRY RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (SIRDI) INTEGRATED PEST AND DISEASE MANAGEMENT LABORATORY.** The Laboratory Technicians will work directly under the supervision of the Head of the Laboratory. All work conducted, including reports will be overseen by the Head of the Laboratory and the Climate Resilient & Sustainable Agriculture Project (CRESAP) team.

The GOB has appointed the Belize Social Investment Fund (BSIF) as the implementing agency for the project and the BSIF is seeking to recruit three **(2) Laboratory Technicians for SIRDI.**

The consultancy is expected to be for an initial period of Twenty (20) months commencing August 2025.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be obtained by submitting a request in writing via e-mail to procurement.cresap@sifbelize.org.

The Belize Social Investment Fund now invites eligible individuals ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services (such as cover letter, Curriculum Vitae etc.).

Minimum Mandatory Requirements *(Required)
Qualifications

• Associate's Degree in general science, biology, chemistry, agriculture or a certified equivalent study. (10 points)

General Experience

• A minimum of two (2) years of work experience in the agricultural sector. (max 15 points)

If these minimum requirements are not met, candidates will not be considered for the process

Additional Requirements (Desirable)
Specific Experience

• Laboratory Equipment Operation and Maintenance- Minimum of one year's hands-on experience operating, calibrating, and maintaining laboratory equipment. Experience with aseptic techniques and biosecurity protocols to prevent contamination and ensure the integrity of biological cultures. (Max 25 points)

• Laboratory Data Management and Reporting - Familiarity with regulatory documentation requirements for biological products. (max 20 points)

• Laboratory Diagnostics and Analysis- Experience in performing laboratory diagnostics and analyses, contamination checks, and other quality assurance tests. (max 15 points)

• Integrated Pest Management (IPM) and Biological Control Research Support - Knowledge of regulatory and safety standards for handling agrochemical products. (max 15 points)

Minimum total points required to be considered for the assignment is 75 points.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection of Individual Consultant method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours, i.e. 0800 to 1600 hours Belize Time.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **July 16, 2025** at 17:00 hours Belize Time.

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT SELECTION)

Belize
Climate Resilient and Sustainable Agriculture Project (CRESAP)
Loan No.: 9347 BE
Project ID No.: P172592
Assignment Title: Field Supervisor
Reference No. (as per Procurement Plan): BZ-SIF-490564-CS-INDV

The Government of Belize has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Climate Resilient and Sustainable Agriculture Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") is for a suitable qualified **FIELD SUPERVISOR FOR THE SUGAR INDUSTRY RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (SIRDI).** The Field Supervisor will work directly under the supervision of the Extension Officer (IPM) for SIRDI. All work conducted, including reports will be overseen by the Extension Officer (IPM) and the Climate Resilient & Sustainable Agriculture Project (CRESAP) team.

The GOB has appointed the Belize Social Investment Fund (BSIF) as the implementing agency for the project and the BSIF is seeking to recruit a **Field Supervisor for SIRDI.**

The consultancy is expected to be for an initial period of Twenty (20) months commencing August 2025.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be obtained by submitting a request in writing via e-mail to procurement.cresap@sifbelize.org.

The Belize Social Investment Fund now invites eligible individuals ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services (such as cover letter, Curriculum Vitae etc.).

Minimum Mandatory Requirements *(Required)
Qualifications
• Bachelor's Degree in Agriculture, Agronomy or any other field related to the assignment. (max 10 points)
General Experience
• A minimum of three (3) years of work experience in the agricultural sector in the capacity of Supervisor. (max 15 points)

If these minimum requirements are not met, candidates will not be considered for the process

Additional Requirements (Desirable)
Specific Experience
• At least three years' experience in implementing pest & disease management strategies and field protocols. (max 25 points)
• At least three years' experience working with Android Applications, Global Positioning Systems (GPS) or other customized applications for data collection (max 20 points)
• At least three years' experience working with farmers in rural communities (max 15 points)
• At least three assignments coordinating and conducting training to small groups of farmers (max 15 points)

Minimum total points required to be considered for the assignment is 75 points.

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Belize
Climate Resilient and Sustainable Agriculture Project (CRESAP)
Loan No.: 9347 BE
Project ID No.: P172592
Assignment Title: Field Officers
Reference No. (as per Procurement Plan): BZ-SIF-490566-CS-INDV

The Government of Belize has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Climate Resilient and Sustainable Agriculture Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") is for a suitable qualified **FIELD OFFICERS (3) FOR THE SUGAR INDUSTRY RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE (SIRDI).** The Field Officers will work directly under the supervision of the Field Supervisor (IPM) for SIRDI. All work conducted, including reports, will be overseen by Field Supervisor (IPM) for SIRDI and the Climate Resilient & Sustainable Agriculture Project (CRESAP) team.

The GOB has appointed the Belize Social Investment Fund (BSIF) as the implementing agency for the project and the BSIF is seeking to recruit three **(3) Field Officers for SIRDI.**

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Minimum Mandatory Requirements *(Required)
Qualifications
• Associate Degree in Agricultural Science or a closely related field; however, a High School Diploma may be considered. (max 15 points)
General Experience
• A minimum of two (2) years of work experience in the agricultural sector. (max 15 points)

If these minimum requirements are not met, candidates will not be considered for the process

Additional Requirements (Desirable)
Specific Experience
• At least two years' experience in implementing pest & disease management strategies and field protocols. (max 20 points)
• At least two years' experience working with Android Applications, Global Positioning Systems (GPS) or other customized applications for data collection (max 20 points)
• At least one-year experience working with farmers in rural communities (max 15 points)
• At least one assignment coordinating and conducting training to small groups of farmers (max 15 points)

Minimum total points required to be considered for the assignment is 75 points.

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NOTICE TO TAX DEFAULTERS

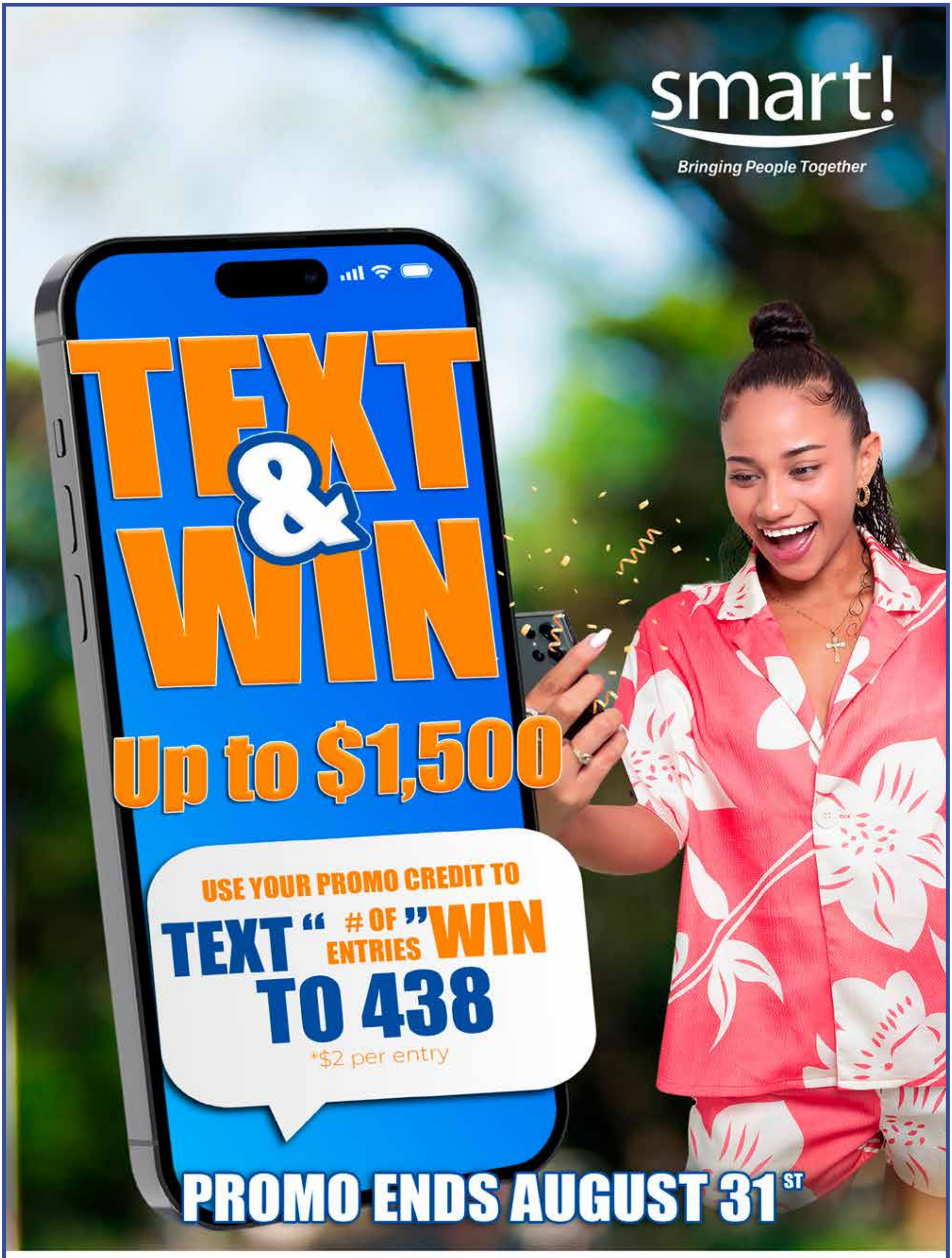
Pursuant to **Section 64A of the Tax Administration and Procedure Act, Cap 51, Revised Edition 2020, as amended by Act 19 of 2021**, the Director General of the Belize Tax Service Department hereby serves formal notice to tax defaulters with outstanding arrears due to the Government of Belize.

NAME	BUSINESS NATURE	LOCATION	TAX TYPE	AMOUNT OWED
HLB BELIZE, LLP	*Accounting, auditing and tax consultancy*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$2,674,501.20**
MAYATULUM GREAT DESTINATIONS	*Construction of buildings*	*CAYE CAULKER*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$75,934.69**
LORENA YASMIN CERVANTES	*Restaurants and mobile food service activities*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax*	**$3,878.53**
JOSEPH MEIGHAN t/a J AND B'S SECURITY SERVICE	*Security system services activities*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 462,348.71**
WALLACE DONAHUE TILLETT	*Architectural & Engineering activities*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax*	**$ 229,415.88**
BOSCO SUPERMARKET LTD	*Supermarket retailing in sales of goods*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 59,774.47**
IMASA PAINTS BELIZE COMPANY LIMITED	*Retail sale in Paints*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 109,464.54**
GRIDPOINT LAND SURVEYING LIMITED	*Architectural & Engineering Consulting Activities*	*BELMOPAN*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 45,514.55**
MARINE & SERVICES LIMITED	*Water Transportation & Freight Services*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax, GST, PAYE*	**$ 760,019.11**
MILTON PAULINO T/A PAULINO'S FUNERAL HOME	*Funeral Activities*	*STANN CREEK*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 138,049.64**
DENVOR FAIRWEATHER T/A 13 PRODUCTIONS	*Motion Picture, Video and television Production Activities*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 176,630.76**
CP BUILDINGS LIMITED	*Construction of Buildings*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 390,301.29**
GWEN'S KITCHEN 2**	*Restaurant & Food Mobile Services*	*BELIZE CITY*	*BT and GST*	**$ 82,257.53**
FLOR DE LOS ANGELES MELARA t/a JULIE'S CORN TORTILLA	*Restaurant & Food Mobile Services*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax*	**$ 6,727.15**
HEATHER DAWN LESLIE t/a DIS N' DAT CORNER	*Retail Sales in non-specialized Stores*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 41,609.91**
ECO FRIENDLY SOLUTIONS LIMITED	*Retail sale in ecofriendly products*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax, GST and, PAYE*	**$ 855,056.79**
MARK NEAL T/A BODY 2000	*other sport activities*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 124,265.87**
MICHELLE RUDON t/a GENESIS ARTS	*Other professional activities*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 107,095.26**
SMOQIZ BISTRO	*Restaurant & Food Mobile Services*	*PLACENCIA*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 44,915.08**
DENICE LEE RYAN t/a BLACK PEARL RESTAURANT	*Restaurant & Food Mobile Services*	*SAN PEDRO*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 477,925.82**
NORTHERN FISHERMEN COOPERATIVE SOCIETY**	*Marine Fishing*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 8,749,067.24**
ANDREW MUNNINGS t/a MUNNINGS FUNERAL SERVICES	*Funeral and live streaming services*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 10,069.96**
ELRINGTON & COMPANY LIMITED**	*Legal Services*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 100,508.90**
AHMAD HARMOUCH t/a LOCAL GROCERY STORE	*Retail sales in non-specialized stores*	SAN PEDRO	*Business Tax and GST*	**$ 32,761.96**
JAIME ANTONIO RIVERA	*Contractor*	*BELIZE CITY*	*Business Tax*	**$ 260,669.01**
LAURAJEAN FLOWERS t/a D KRIOL KITCHEN & LOUNGE	Restaurant & Food Mobile Services	*BELIZE CITY*	Business Tax and GST	**$ 38,958.26**
UNION DISTRIBUTION	Retail of pharmaceutical & medical goods	*BELIZE CITY*	Business Tax	**$ 381,886.95**
PLEXAR CAPITAL LLC	Real Estate activities	*STANN CREEK*	Business Tax and PAYE	**$ 1,364,096.08**
CALVERT SUPAUL JR.	Wholesale of food, beverages, and tobacco.	*TOLEDO*	Business Tax	**$ 154,714.23**
RONGMAN LI t/a PLACENCIA STORE	Retail sale in non-specialized stores with food, beverages or tobacco predominating.	*PLAENCIA*	Business Tax and GST	**$ 109,946.17**
PRESTIGE AUTO SALES	Sale of Motor Vehicles	*BELIZE CITY*	Business Tax and GST	**$ 162,565.66**
BELIZE FORMATION SERVICE LIMITED**	Management of Trust, Fund, ICBs and other financial services	*BELIZE CITY*	Business Tax, PAYE and PAYE Recon	**$ 165,372.78**
DEZHENG ZHU t/a YEESY SHOPPING	Retail sale in non-specialized stores	*ORANGE WALK*	Business Tax, GST, PAYE and PAYE Recon	**$ 78,646.50**

*** kindly resume communication with BTSD,* ***immediately****.*

You are hereby directed to contact the Belize Tax Service Department without delay to settle all outstanding tax arrears. Failure to comply, immediately will result in swift legal action under Part VIII of the TAPA, for the full recovery of the amounts owed.

Director General
Belize Tax Service Department



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